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And lead us not into temptation,
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Destined to Reign, p.104**



**“confessing your sins all the time
will only make you more sin-conscious.”**

**Joseph Prince
Destined to Reign, p.109**



Christians “believe wrongly that the Holy Spirit convicts believers of their sins”

**Joseph Prince
Destined to Reign, p.139**



**"My friends, God does not require you to
search your heart and locate your sins before
you can worship Him."**

**Joseph Prince
Destined to Reign, p.173**



**“Stop examining yourself
and searching your heart for sin.”**

**Joseph Prince
Destined to Reign, p.187**



**“There are still people who insist
that we have to preach on repentance.
Well, I disagree!”**

**Joseph Prince
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Jesus Christ



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Why do I need to confess?



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So that I'll not go to Hell?



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No! A true Christian doesn't lose his salvation



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For I am sure that neither death nor life, nor angels nor rulers, nor things present nor things to come, nor powers, nor height nor depth, **nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord. (Romans 8:38-39)**



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Christian do not confess to “keep our salvation”
but we confess to “keep the **joy** of our salvation”



Restore to me the **joy** of your salvation,

Psalm 51:12



Let me hear **joy and gladness**;
let the bones that you have broken **rejoice**.

Psalm 51:8



**Have mercy on me, O God, according to your
steadfast love; according to your abundant
mercy blot out my transgressions.**

Psalm 51:1



...I made you grieve with my letter... I rejoice...
because you were **grieved into repenting**

(2Co 7:8,9)



Jesus teaches Christians grieved in sin to pray



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so that we may be restored to **joy in God.**



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2. Practice



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Confess Consistently



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"Give us **this day** our daily bread,
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**“The mark of a saint is not sinlessness,
but sin-consciousness”**

John Piper



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Confess Communally



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"and forgive **us our** debts,"



2. Practice

Confess Confidently



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"Our **Father** in heaven"



**If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just to
forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all
unrighteousness.**

(1John 1:9)



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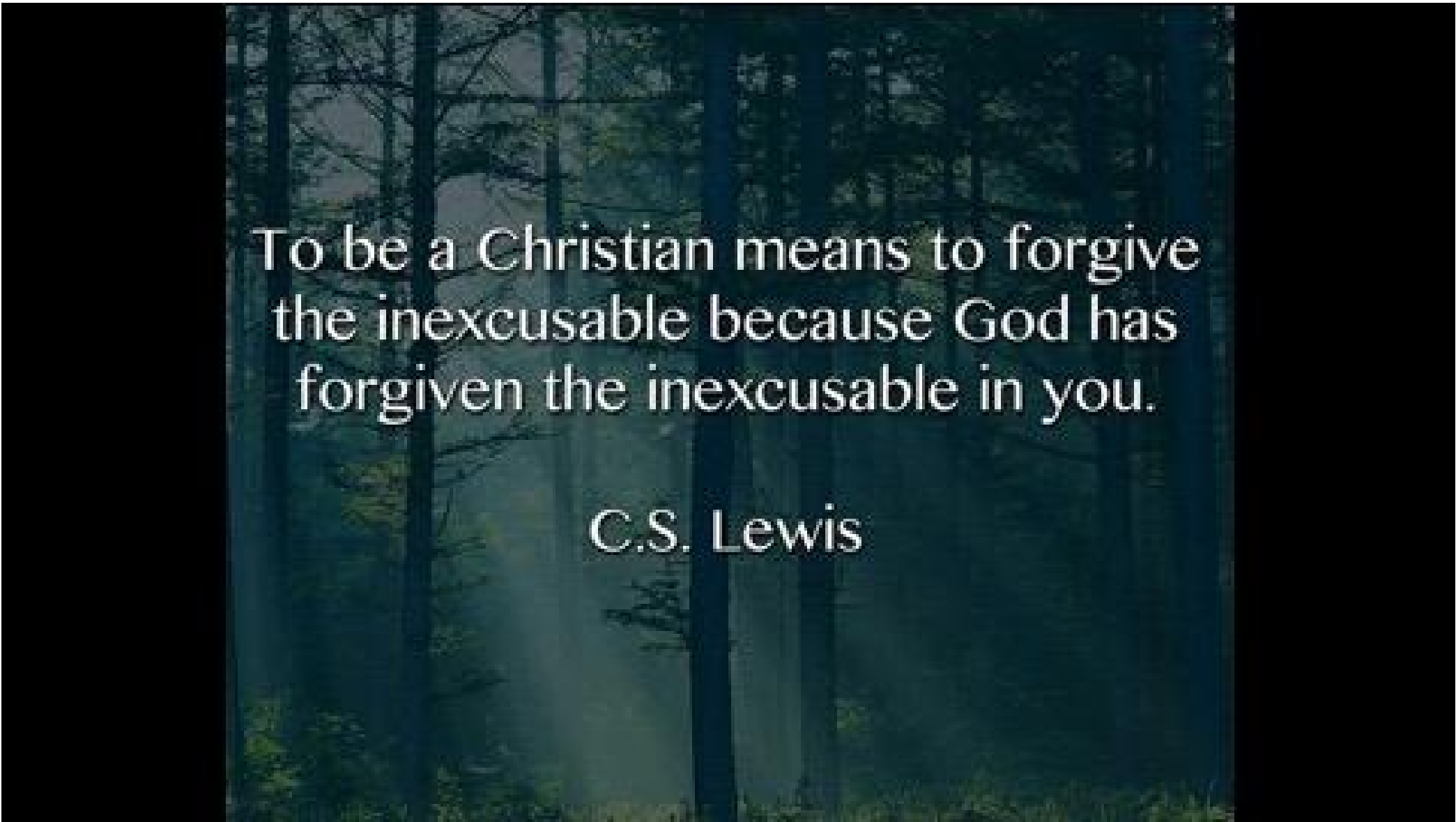
...For if you forgive others their trespasses,
your heavenly Father will also forgive you, but if
you do not forgive others their trespasses, neither
will your Father forgive your trespasses.



**Be kind to one another, tenderhearted,
forgiving one another,
as God in Christ forgave you.**

(Eph 4:32)





To be a Christian means to forgive
the inexcusable because God has
forgiven the inexcusable in you.

C.S. Lewis







I was 9 years old but I still remember my thoughts at that moment: I would be ugly and people would treat me in a different way.



we lost everything and
we just survived day by
day.



I was in the hospital,
where I spent 14 months
and had 17 operations.



The anger inside me was like a hatred as high as a mountain. I hated my life. I hated all people who were normal because I was not normal. I really wanted to die many times.



I spent my daytime in the library to read a lot of religious books to find a purpose for my life. One of the books that I read was the Holy Bible.



In Christmas 1982, I
accepted Jesus Christ as
my personal savior. It was
an amazing turning point
in my life.



God helped me to learn
to forgive — the most
difficult of all lessons. It
didn't happen in a day
and it wasn't easy. But I
finally got it.



Forgiveness made me
free from hatred. I still
have many scars on my
body and severe pain
most days but my heart is
cleansed.



Napalm is very powerful
but faith, forgiveness and
love are much more
powerful.



If that little girl in the picture can do it, ask yourself: Can you?



FORGIVE



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