

## GREATER FORGIVENESS

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*“From the depths of despair, O LORD, I call for your help. Hear my cry, O Lord. Pay attention to my prayer. LORD, if you kept a record of our sins, who, O Lord, could ever survive? But you offer forgiveness, that we might learn to fear you. I am counting on the LORD; yes, I am counting on him. I have put my hope in his word. I long for the Lord more than sentries long for the dawn, yes, more than sentries long for the dawn. O Israel, hope in the LORD; for with the LORD there is unfailing love. His redemption overflows. He himself will redeem Israel from every kind of sin.”* (Psalm 130, NLT)

#### 1. GOD WILL PULL YOU OUT OF THE DEPTHS OF DESPAIR.

*“Save me, O God, for the floodwaters are up to my neck. Deeper and deeper I sink into the mire; I can’t find a foothold. I am in deep water, and the floods overwhelm me.”* (Psalm 69:1–2, NLT)

#### 2. THERE IS ALWAYS HOPE FOR A NEW BEGINNING.

*“As the Scriptures say, “No one is righteous— not even one. No one is truly wise; no one is seeking God. All have turned away; all have become useless. No one does good, not a single one.”* (Romans 3:10–12, NLT)

A. God’s forgiveness covers all sin.

*“But you offer forgiveness, that we might learn to fear you.”*  
(Psalm 130:4, NLT)

B. God’s forgiveness is for all your yesterdays, today, and tomorrows.

C. God’s forgiveness is for those who ask in faith.

*“From the depths of despair, O LORD, I call for your help ... But you offer forgiveness, that we might learn to fear you.”* (Psalm 130:4, NLT)

D. God's forgiveness leads me to a godly life.

*"I am counting on the LORD; yes, I am counting on him. I have put my hope in his word." (Psalm 130:5, NLT)*

- a. Wait, you will grow.
- b. Wait, expectantly.
- c. Wait, with the body of Christ.
- d. Wait, reverently.

*"I long for the Lord more than sentries long for the dawn, yes, more than sentries long for the dawn." (Psalm 130:6, NLT)*

### 3. GOD'S FORGIVENESS IS A FOREVER PROMISE.

*"O Israel, hope in the LORD; for with the LORD there is unfailing love. His redemption overflows. He himself will redeem Israel from every kind of sin." (Psalm 130:7–8, NLT)*

*"For everyone has sinned; we all fall short of God's glorious standard. Yet God, in his grace, freely makes us right in his sight. He did this through Christ Jesus when he freed us from the penalty for our sins. For God presented Jesus as the sacrifice for sin. People are made right with God when they believe that Jesus sacrificed his life, shedding his blood. This sacrifice shows that God was being fair when he held back and did not punish those who sinned in times past, for he was looking ahead and including them in what he would do in this present time. God did this to demonstrate his righteousness, for he himself is fair and just, and he makes sinners right in his sight when they believe in Jesus." (Romans 3:23–26, NLT)*