What God Does With The Believer's Sins

When people repent of sin and, by faith alone in the shed blood of Jesus Christ, they trust Him as Saviour, they have God's assurance and promise that their sin debt has been once for all dealt with. Here are just a few verses from the Bible about what God does with a Christian's sins.

- 1. No condemnation to them in Christ. "There is therefore <u>now</u> no <u>condemnation</u> to them which are in Christ Jesus, who walk not after the flesh, but after the Spirit." {Romans 8:1}
- 2. Not imputed to us. "To wit, that God was in Christ, reconciling the world unto himself, not imputing their trespasses unto them; and hath committed unto us the world of reconciliation." {2 Corinthians 5:19}
- **3.** Laid on Christ. "All we like sheep have gone astray; we have turned every one to his <u>own way</u>; and the LORD hath <u>laid</u> on him the iniquity of us all." {Isaiah 53.6}
- **4. Borne by Christ.** "Who his own self <u>bare our sins</u> in his own body on the tree, that we, being dead to sins, should live unto righteousness: by whose stripes ye were healed." {1 Peter 2:24}
- **5.** Covered. "Saying, Blessed are they whose iniquities are forgiven, and whose sins are <u>covered</u>." {Romans 4:7}
- **6. Remitted.** "To him give all the prophets witness, that through his name whosoever believeth in him shall receive **remission** of sins." {Acts 10:43}
- 7. Removed. As far as the east is from the west, so far hath he removed our transgressions from us." {Psalm 103:12}
- **8. Passed away.** "And he answered and spake unto those that stood before him, saying, <u>Take away</u> the <u>filthy</u> garments from him. And unto him he said, Behold, I have caused thine iniquity to pass from thee, and I will clothe thee with change of raiment." {Zechariah 3:4}
- **9. Subdued.** "He will turn again, he will have compassion upon us; he will **subdue our iniquities**; and thou wilt cast all their sins into the depths of the sea." {Micah 7:19}
- **10. Put away.** "For then must he often have suffered since the foundation of the world: but now **once** in the end of the world hath he appeared to **put away sin** by the sacrifice of himself." {Hebrews 9:26}
 - "once" From a human perspective, the annual atonement of the animal sacrifice was not permanent; it had to be repeated. But, with the sacrifice of Christ, His blood is still considered as in the act of being continually poured out. "But now once" Once for all; meaning that it was never to be repeated because it is permanently finished.
- **11. Cast behind God's back.** "Behold, for peace I had great bitterness: but thou hast in love to my soul delivered it from the pit of corruption: for thou hast <u>cast all</u> my sins behind thy back." {Isaiah 38:17}
- **12.** Cast into the sea. "He will turn again, he will have compassion upon us; he will subdue our iniquities; and thou wilt cast all their sins into the depths of the sea." {Micah 7:19}

- **13. Blotted out.** "I, even I, am he that <u>blotteth</u> out thy transgressions for mine own sake, and will not remember thy sins." {Isaiah 43:25} "Repent ye therefore, and be converted, that your sins may be <u>blotted</u> out, when the times of refreshing shall come from the presence of the Lord;" {Acts 3:19}
- **14. Purged.** "Who being the brightness of his glory, and the express image of his person, and upholding all things by the word of his power, when he had by himself **purged our sins**, sat down on the right hand of the Majesty on high;" {Hebrews 1:3}
- **15. Loosed in blood.** "And from Jesus Christ, who is the faithful witness, and the first begotten of the dead, and the prince of the kings of the earth. Unto him that loved us, and **washed us from our sins in his own blood,**" {Revelation 1:5}
- **16. Cleansed by the blood.** "But if we walk in the light, as he is in the light, we have fellowship one with another, and the **blood** of Jesus Christ his Son <u>cleanseth</u> us from all sin." {1 John 1.7} Christians are not perfect; they are sinners saved by the grace of God and, as such, walking in the light includes:
 - (1.) Leading lives of holiness and purity; that is, the Christian must be characteristically a holy man, a light in the world, by his example.
 - (2.) Walking in the truth; that is, embracing the truth in opposition to all error of heathenism and infidelity, and having clear, spiritual views of truth, such as the unrenewed never have.
- 17. Not remembered. "For I will be merciful to their unrighteousness, and their sins and their iniquities will I remember no more." {Hebrews 8:12}
- **18.** We forego the judgment bar when we believe. "Verily, verily, I say unto you, He that heareth my word, and believeth on him that sent me, hath everlasting life, and **shall not come into condemnation**; but is passed from death unto life." {John 5:24}
- **19.** Our security. "And the blood shall be to you for a <u>token</u> upon the houses where ye are: and **when I see the blood**, I will pass over you, and the plague shall not be upon you to destroy you, when I smite the land of Egypt." {Exodus 12:13}

The security of the Christian believer rests not in what they have done, but in what Jesus Christ did on the Cross of Calvary and that because of His love. "But God commendeth his love toward us, in that, while we were yet sinners, Christ died for us." {Romans 5:8} From the slave market of sin Jesus redeems sinners: "Forasmuch as ye know that ye were not redeemed with corruptible things, as silver and gold, from your vain conversation received by tradition from your fathers; But with the precious blood of Christ, as of a lamb without blemish and without spot:" {1 Peter 1:18-19}

Friend, do **YOU** know Jesus Christ as your personal Saviour? You can if you will repent of sin and by faith alone trust Him today. A man once said, "There is no stain made by sin so deep that the blood of Christ cannot take it entirely away from the soul." And for this we have God's promise: "And this is the record, that God hath given to us eternal life, and this life is in his Son. These things have I written unto you that believe on the name of the Son of God; that ye may know that ye have eternal life, and that ye may believe on the name of the Son of God." {1 John 5: 11,13}