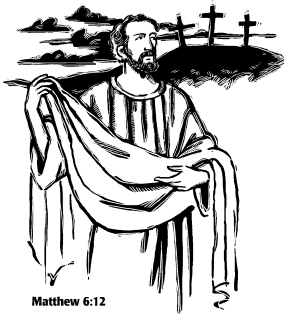


Forgive us Our Trespasses as we Forgive Those Who Trespass Against us

◆ Check the descriptions below that describe your understanding of sin:

Forgive us our debts,
as we forgive
our debtors.



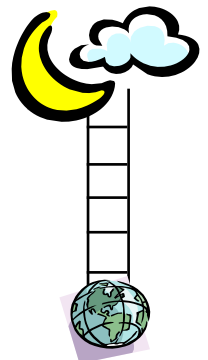
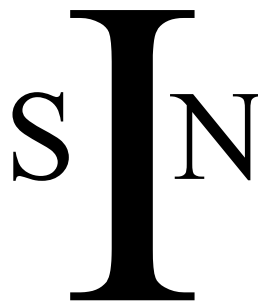
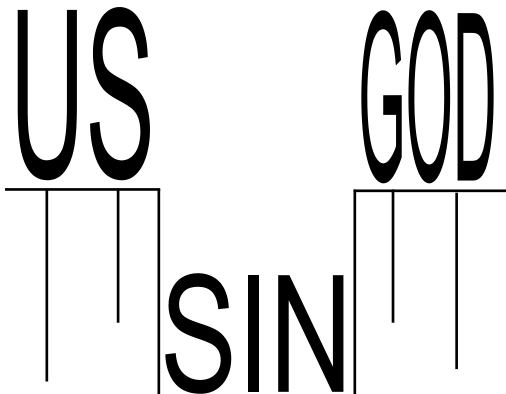
- ☐ Separation or rebellion from God
- ☐ Doing something evil that you know would displease God
- ☐ Thinking an evil thought
- ☐ Not doing something that you know would please God
- ☐ Falling short of doing what God wants
- ☐ Being enslaved and controlled by a power opposed to God
- ☐ A condition in which we are born
- ☐ Thinking only of myself and my needs
- ☐ Something that affects everyone.

◆ We sin in thought (By what we think), word (By what we say) and deed (By what we do). Mark below sins of thought with a “T”, sins of word with a “W”, sins of deed with a “D”.

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Acting like you are perfect | <input type="checkbox"/> Scheming as to how to get revenge |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Telling a lie | <input type="checkbox"/> Looking at dirty pictures |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Passing on the latest gossip | <input type="checkbox"/> Daydreaming at church instead of listening |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Shoplifting | <input type="checkbox"/> Downloading music |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Saying bad words | <input type="checkbox"/> Putting down the church |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Planning how to cheat on a test | <input type="checkbox"/> Doing something your parent told you not to do |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Hurting a brother/sister | <input type="checkbox"/> Spreading lies about a teacher |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Being jealous | <input type="checkbox"/> Bragging about yourself |

◆ We confess that we sin by what we do (Known as sins of commission) and by what we do not do (Known as sins of omission). Mark below sins of commission with a “C”, and sins of omission with an “O”.

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Stealing | <input type="checkbox"/> Ignoring a person in need |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Not praying | <input type="checkbox"/> Telling a lie |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Disrupting worship with loud talk | <input type="checkbox"/> Refusing to help someone who is losing their job |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Not showing honor to our parents | <input type="checkbox"/> Sleeping in late instead of attending worship |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Looking for pornography on the internet | <input type="checkbox"/> Slandering a neighbor |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Killing someone | <input type="checkbox"/> Listening to gossip |



- ♦ **Jesus taught that we should forgive as we have been forgiven.**
- ♦ **Role Play: In each situation portray what will happen if there is no desire to forgive and be reconciled, and what will happen if there is a desire to forgive and be reconciled.**
 - You saw a friend with your boyfriend at a movie.
 - A friend lied to his parents and said that cigarettes that were found in his coat belonged to you.
 - A sister took your favorite CD without asking, and then broke it accidentally.
 - You are watching your favorite TV program, and your parents come in and turn the channel to their favorite program.
 - A teacher falsely accused you of cheating on a test.
 - A coach never lets you play in any of the games.

♦ **Read what the bible teaches about forgiveness:**

Matthew 5:22-24

Matthew 5:38-42

Matthew 5:43-48

Matthew 18:23-35

♦ **Please memorize the Fifth Petition and Luther's Explanation**

The Fifth Petition

Forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us.

What does this mean?

We ask in this prayer that our Father in heaven would not hold our sins against us and because of them refuse to hear our prayer. And we pray that He would give us everything by grace, for we sin every day and deserve nothing but punishment. So we on our part will heartily forgive and gladly do good to those who sin against us.