

## Ask Me Anything Week 2

**Question #1 – Hebrews 8:12 says, “I will forgive their wickedness and remember their sin no more.” In Matthew 12:36 Jesus said, “I tell you that everyone will have to give account on the day of judgment for every empty word they have spoken.” It sounds like God doesn’t forget our sins. How can both be true?**

- When we trust Christ as Savior and receive God’s forgiveness of our sin, God doesn’t forget that we sinned. He simply chooses not to bring it against us anymore.
- When we feel the guilt of past sin that God has forgiven, the source of that guilt is Satan.
- In Matthew, Jesus was emphasizing that ever the words we don’t think are important can condemn us. He was stressing the importance of sin.

**Question #2 – Biblically, can women be pastors/preachers?**

1 Timothy 2:11-14 - A woman should learn in quietness and full submission. <sup>12</sup>I do not permit a woman to teach or to assume authority over a man; she must be quiet. <sup>13</sup>For Adam was formed first, then Eve. <sup>14</sup>And Adam was not the one deceived; it was the woman who was deceived and became a sinner.

1 Timothy 3:1-2 - Here is a trustworthy saying: Whoever aspires to be an overseer desires a noble task. <sup>2</sup>Now the overseer is to be above reproach, faithful to his wife...

Titus 1:6 - An elder must be blameless, faithful to his wife, a man whose children believe and are not open to the charge of being wild and disobedient.

**Question #3 – What happened to Joseph after Jesus’ childhood?**

The Bible doesn’t say.

**Question #4 – What do you say to a Democrat who votes for things against God but claims to be a Christian?**

Romans 13:1-8 - Let everyone be subject to the governing authorities, for there is no authority except that which God has established. The authorities that exist have been established by God. <sup>2</sup>Consequently, whoever rebels against the authority is rebelling against what God has instituted, and those who do so will bring judgment on themselves. <sup>3</sup>For rulers hold no terror for those who do right, but for those who do wrong. Do you want to be free from fear of the one in authority? Then do what is right and you will be commended. <sup>4</sup>For the one in authority is God’s servant for your good. But if you do wrong, be afraid, for rulers do not bear the sword for no reason. They are God’s servants, agents of wrath to bring punishment on the wrongdoer. <sup>5</sup>Therefore, it is necessary to submit to the authorities, not only because of possible punishment but also as a matter of conscience. <sup>6</sup>This is also why you pay taxes, for the authorities are God’s servants, who give their full time to governing. <sup>7</sup>Give to everyone what you owe them: If you owe taxes, pay taxes; if revenue, then revenue; if respect, then respect; if honor, then honor.

1 Peter 2:13-15 - Submit yourselves for the Lord’s sake to every human authority: whether to the emperor, as the supreme authority, <sup>14</sup>or to governors, who are sent by him to punish those who do wrong and to commend those who do right. <sup>15</sup>For it is God’s will that by doing good you should silence the ignorant talk of foolish people.

**•We obey governing authorities unless they force us to disobey God.**

Acts 5:29 - Peter and the other apostles replied: “We must obey God rather than man!”

**•Government cannot save us. Only God can!**

**•We are to show the world that our hope is not in the government. We are to show them a life transformed by the Gospel.**