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# RE- FLECTING GOD

**08/24/13 - God's Forgiveness**

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Psalm 86:1-10

It's hard to ask for forgiveness. Sometimes it's easier to grant forgiveness than it is to ask for forgiveness. We are very hard on ourselves and think that no one, not even God, will forgive us for what we have done.

In Micah 7:19, we read: "You will again have compassion on us; you will tread our sins underfoot and hurl all our iniquities into the depths of the sea." If we travelled to the literal bottom of the ocean, some 36,000 feet below sea level; will we suddenly find all of those sins? No, it is a metaphor God used to say that He will put our sins far away from us, when we turn from them and ask for His forgiveness.

Corrie ten Boom put it well when she said, "God has taken our sin. He has thrown it into the sea of forgetfulness, and he has posted a sign that says, 'No fishing allowed.'"

How great it is to know that we have a loving and merciful God who not only forgives but promises to forget what we have done. We only have to ask for his forgiveness.

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