



In Christ I am... FORGIVEN



Key truths:

1. In Christ I have redemption through His blood.

2. Being redeemed means I am forgiven by God.

3. Because I'm God's child, my future is secure.



Discussion Starters:

1. Sin is everything we think, say or do that breaks God's law and makes him unhappy. the Bible says everyone sins. Do you think we can work hard enough to get sin out of ourselves?

- For Youth: Verse 7 says we have 'redemption through his blood.' What is the definition of the word redemption, and how could we get it through Jesus' blood?

2. Redemption means "setting someone free". Jesus can free us from our sins so we can be friends with God, who never sins. Do you do the right thing so people will think you're good or because you want to be a good friend of God?

- For Youth: Do you sometimes think that you have to try harder to be a Christian? Or do you sometimes feel that you are not a Christian because you have failed to do something?

3. When Jesus forgives us the bad things we've done, said or thought, the Bible says we can go to heaven one day. When you do something wrong, do you fear you won't go to heaven anymore?

- For Youth: Verses 8-9 tell us that God has made known to us his will and purpose for the world. How should knowing God's will and purpose for the world change the way we live our lives in the world?

- For Youth: What does it mean in verse 10 when it says God is working to 'unite all things in him, things in heaven and things on earth'? Are there any times in life when this feels hard to believe? What can we do to take hold of this truth?

"In love he predestined us for adoption to himself as sons through Jesus Christ, according to the purpose of his will, to the praise of his glorious grace, with which he has blessed us in the Beloved." Ephesians 1:5-6

