

## **FORGIVENESS FACTS**

HEBREWS 10:17-18

I. It is legal

II. It is lavish

III. It is lively

Conc: German Christians from the sixteenth century used the Heidelberg Catechism, a series of questions and answers to help them define their faith. Question 60 is: How are you righteous before God?

The answer is beautiful: Only by true faith in Jesus Christ. Although my conscience accuses me that I have grievously sinned against all God's commandments, have never kept any of them, and am still inclined to all evil, yet God, without any merit of my own, out of mere grace, imputes to me the perfect satisfaction, righteousness, and holiness of Christ. He grants these to me as if I had never had nor committed any sin, and as if I myself had accomplished all the obedience which Christ has rendered for me, if only I accept this gift with a believing heart.