## **Complete Forgiveness and Cleansing**

Cleanse Yourself from Unclean "Swarming" things! Especially those "little" sins (Song 2:15±)! So that you can be Holy as God is holy! (Lev 11:44, 45+)

Purify me with hyssop, and I shall be clean; Wash me, and I shall be whiter than snow. -- David

If we confess our sins, He is faithful and righteous to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

-- John

Are you wrestling with continued consciousness of sins you have committed in the past and yet you have sincerely confessed them. Then STOP WRESTLING and START RESTING in God's full and complete forgiveness! You need to pause and ponder (memorize) 1 John 1:9± where confess is in the present tense calling for this to be our lifestyle, while Forgive and cleanse are both in the aorist tense which states the kind of action (aspect), whether complete or whole event. Aorist does not express the time of action (past, present, future) which is determined by context, not by the tense itself. So in 1Jn 1:9± both "forgive us" and "cleanse us" are in the aorist tense which speaks of complete (not partial) forgiveness and cleansing, decisive (not gradual) forgiveness and cleansing, effective (not tentative) forgiveness and cleansing. When genuine confession occurs, genuine forgiveness and cleansing occur! God's forgiveness and cleansing are viewed as whole events — instantly and fully accomplished! If you are holding on to consciousness of sins, especially some guilt after you have confessed, you need to "let the pot drop" because God does (Heb 8:12b±)! Think of your confession as like a light switch. Our confession is the turning on of the switch (present tense, ongoing whenever needed, probably needed most of the day!). God's forgiveness and cleansing is the full flow of light (cf walking in the light in 1Jn 1:7±) that comes instantly and completely when the switch is flipped. If that does not light (pun intended) your fire dear child of God who has sinned against God but confessed it, then I do not know what will! Receive His full forgiveness and cleansing, forget what lies behind (Php 3:13±) and press on toward the goal for the prize of the upward call of God in Christ Jesus. (Php 3:14+) Hallelujah! What a Savior! How great a salvation! This is not cheap grace, but costly grace (Jn 19:30±)!