

The Worst Of Sinners Can be Forgiven

John 3:18

Whoever believes in Him is not condemned, but whoever does not believe has already been condemned, because he has not believed in the name of God's one and only Son.

The Prodigal Son

- **Luke 15:11-32**
 - Takes all his father has, spends it, and runs out
 - Returns
 - Is welcomed as a king
 - How much more does God do similar to us when we come back?
- **Luke 15:10**
 - Great rejoicing for one who returns to his Lord



Saul/Paul - The Chief Sinner

- Acts 7:54-Acts 8:3
 - Paul was not a good person
 - Persecution
 - Imprisonment
 - Consented to Death of Stephen
 - Havoc on the church
- Acts 9:26
 - Disciples afraid of Paul
- 1Tim 1:3-17
 - Chief of Sinners
 - Blasphemy
 - Persecution
 - Insolence



Jeff Dahmer

- 1978-1991
 - 16 people murdered
- 1992
 - Sentenced to 16 life sentences in jail
- 1994
 - Sent correspondence course
 - Baptised May 17 1994



Jeff Dahmer - Quotes

- Oh yes, I know it washes my sins away. If anyone needs that, it's me. In fact, I'm looking forward to it and counting on it.
- Oh yes. In fact I've said that multiple times in the news interviews. But when they air, they keep leaving that part out.
- One other thing too. What will you say when you baptize me? I want to be sure this is correctly done.
- I'm going to be baptized!
- Wow, that's wonderful! I thought you might just baptize me then be done with me

Jeff Dahmer - Questions

- If Jeff Dahmer gets to go to heaven then I don't want to be there.
- How can a man like Dahmer be saved?
- Would Dahmer just use this as a way to try to get out of prison?

Jeff Dahmer - Mercy, Grace, and Salvation

- **Acts 22:16**

- And now why are you waiting? Arise and be baptized, and wash away your sins, calling on the name of the Lord.

- **1 Peter 1:18-19**

- Knowing that you were ransomed from the futile ways inherited from your forefathers, not with perishable things such as silver or gold, but with the precious blood of Christ, like that of a lamb without blemish or spot.

Jeff Dahmer - Quotes pt 2

- “If you could have looked into his eyes and heart, you would know he truly wanted to be right with God. Sometimes you have to be at your worst to be broken enough to be able to be rebuilt anew.”
- “What about the Lord's Supper? The denominations that hold services only offer it once a month, I want to do everything I can to please God. I have lived my life wrong for so long, and want to live it as right as possible now.”

Jeff Dahmer - Funeral

- Every life is important. Some would mock us for gathering here for someone who hurt so many. But we do not focus on his crimes, but his faith. Many were shocked at his faith and baptism but their feeling was one of anger. They could not conceive that anyone who did something as bad as Jeff would come to Christ as he did. Because if he did, they would instead think Christ would shy away from him. Christ came to save sinners. And Jeff was a sinner. He asked “Is heaven for me too” which many were upset about, but he dared to ask, and he dared to believe it was. Jeff illustrates what Christ can do to sinful men.

Jeff Dahmer - Application

- Nobody is too sinful to come to Christ
- Do not be partial, or “soil inspectors”
- Encourage new brethren, and forget and forgive their old ways that were put away by Christ’s blood

Closing

- **John 3:16-18**

- 16 For God so loved the world that He gave His one and only Son, that everyone who believes in Him shall not perish but have eternal life. 17 For God did not send His Son into the world to condemn the world, but to save the world through Him. 18 Whoever believes in Him is not condemned, but whoever does not believe has already been condemned, because he has not believed in the name of God's one and only Son.

- **1 Tim 2:1-6**

- Therefore I exhort first of all that supplications, prayers, intercessions, and giving of thanks be made for all men, 2 for kings and all who are in authority, that we may lead a quiet and peaceable life in all godliness and reverence. 3 For this is good and acceptable in the sight of God our Savior, 4 who desires all men to be saved and to come to the knowledge of the truth. 5 For there is one God and one Mediator between God and men, the Man Christ Jesus, 6 who gave Himself a ransom for all, to be testified in due time.