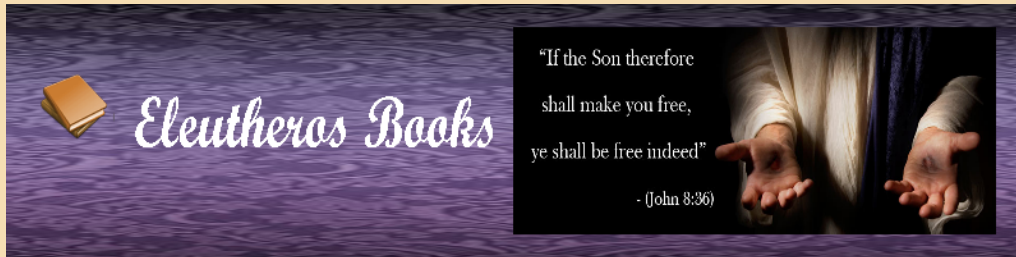


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### Announcement

In the past few weeks Eleutheros Books has come into contact with Rashid Mahmood, a pastor in Lahore, Pakistan. Pastor Mahmood is bi-vocational and serves a small Bible believing congregation there.

He has received a copy of *The Ramifications of Our Salvation* and agreed to translate the book into Urdu, believing that it will be of value in training leaders and discipling new believers in his country.

This will be a major project and will take several months to complete.

Pastor Mahmood needs funding in order to complete the work of translation and printing as well as the needs of his church.

The needs will be presented in future newsletters. Eleutheros Books is asking prayer support for this project now and financial support in the months ahead.

The needs in Pakistan are great, but the opportunities are even greater!

### Forgiveness (part 2)

*But if we walk in the light as He is in the light, we have fellowship one with another,*

*and the blood of Jesus Christ cleanseth us from all sin*

([1John 1:7](#)).

In last month's newsletter, the following points became clear:

1. Because God is eternal ([Psalm 90:2](#)), immutable (does not change; [Hebrews 13:8](#)), and holy ([Job 34:10](#)), we can be sure that He means what He says and says what He means when it comes to this whole matter of forgiveness!

2. The Scriptures teach a number of important things

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### World Outreach News

Eleutheros Books is committed to reaching out to people all over the world. Here are the various ministries:

**Christian Speed Reading** Instructor Darryl Hold has been teaching Speed Reading since 1992. The Lord led him to create a **Speed Reading 30** video course for Christians using John Rataczak, PhD, book *"The Ramifications of Our Salvation"* as the course manual. While the video quality is homemade, the content is truly life changing in learning how to speed read for business and personal enhancement, so that we can serve the Lord Jesus Christ to the best of our ability. On a spiritual level, *"The Ramifications of Our Salvation"* will help many Christians deepen their discipleship. Contact Darryl Hold with any questions.  
(770) 324-0076 EST USA or email [tutorpro88@gmail.com](mailto:tutorpro88@gmail.com)

1,000 copies of *"The Ramifications of Our Salvation"* have been printed in **India!** To learn more or to place an order, contact Persis Abraham in Nashik, Maharashtra:  
[persis@artinovations.in](mailto:persis@artinovations.in) or 07776887793

An effort is underway to have *"The Ramifications of Our Salvation"* printed in **China!** A printer has been located in Beijing. Pray that the details can be worked out for funding and distribution.

Eleutheros Books has partnered with a Bible Society named **Bearing Precious Seed** to offer a Bible and *"The Ramifications of Our Salvation"* to chaplains who minister to **US military troops** at home and abroad. Pray as Jim Wilds in California raises the necessary funds for this important cause!

Jackie Auzenne (from south Texas) is busy working on a Spanish translation of *"The Ramifications of*

about forgiveness: a. A heart that is right with God does not want to "get even," even when it has been wronged ([Proverbs 24:29](#)); b. It is not a good thing to stay angry, but rather to forgive ([Proverbs 19:11](#)); c. We should both forgive and pray for those who owe us something ([Matthew 6:12](#)); d. An unwillingness to forgive others causes God not to forgive us ([Matthew 6:15](#)); e. We should forgive as often as necessary ([Matthew 18:21-22](#)); f. Forgiveness should be conditioned on repentance from the offender (Luke 17:3); g. We should always be ready to forgive ([Ephesians 4:32](#)).

3. The Scriptures also explain quite a bit about God's forgiveness in the lives of believers: a. When God forgives sin, He removes and forgets it ([Psalm 103:12](#); [Hebrews 10:17-18](#)); b. God's forgiveness involved a total cleansing which is based on confession ([L. John 1:9](#); [Psalm 65:3](#)); c. God can and does forgive all sin ([Psalm 85:2](#)); d. Confession of sin creates a wonderful relationship between the believer, God, and fellow believers ([L. John 1:3-7](#)); e. Christ's blood makes God's forgiveness possible ([Romans 3:24-25](#)).

A few words should be said about the words "repentance" and confession." Both these words are important because they have quite a bit to do with God's forgiveness in our lives.

The most common noun for "repentance" is *metanoia* in the Greek.

This word literally means "a change of mind." Repentance involves three elements:

- a. emotional (sorrow for sin)
- b. intellectual (acknowledgement of sin)
- c. volitional (a determination of the will never to go back to sin)

*Metanoia* (combined with faith) is used primarily to describe what must happen when a sinner turns to God for salvation: *Testifying both to the Jews, and also to the Greeks, repentance toward God, and faith toward our Lord Jesus Christ* ([Acts 20:21](#)).

The Greek grammar in this verse is very clear. "Repentance" and "faith" are two sides of the same coin; they are both essential to salvation! Note that repentance is "toward God" (the Father), and "faith" is placed "toward our Lord Jesus Christ" (the Son Who died to pay for our sin)!

The verb "to confess" is *homologeio* in the Greek.

This word literally means "to say the same thing, to take the same attitude." Confession also has the emotional, intellectual, and volitional elements to it.

This word is used primarily to describe what must happen when a believer stumbles into sin and needs to restore fellowship with God.

In *repentance*, a person totally changes his mind, his attitude, and his determination to do what is right. He recognizes that it is God Who can forgive and help him to live completely for Him.

*Our Salvation."*

Eleutheros Books is attempting to work with a ministry (based in Rockford, IL) called **Reformers Unanimous**. They present the Gospel and minister to people who are struggling with addiction in the US and a number of other countries!

A request has been made by a ministry in **Pakistan!** They have requested 1,000 copies of "*The Ramifications of Our Salvation.*" You can make donations to Eleutheros Books c/o Lewis Avenue Baptist Church, 6320 Lewis Ave. Temperance, MI 48182.

Eleutheros Books has a heart to work with **Gospel Outreach Mission** in **Myanmar**, headed by Rev. Martin Lalhangliana. The book will be translated into Mizo, Burmese, Kachin, Chin, Shan

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In *confession*, a person approaches God and asks Him to make him react the same way about sin that He does. Obviously, God hates sin; so when a believer genuinely confesses his sin, he is asking God to help him to hate sin and avoid it. This is God's way of providing an opportunity to have great fellowship with Him.

In conclusion, when sin is dealt with as God directs, He really forgives!

*Moreover, the Law entered that sin might abound; but where sin abounded, grace did MUCH MORE abound (Romans 5:20)!*

It really is not a matter of how one might *feel* about it. In reality, it is a matter of God's faithfulness. He has promised to do so if we genuinely approach Him with the right attitude.

### **Arise, My Soul, Arise**

Charles Wesley

*Arise, my soul arise*

*Shake off thy guilty fears*

*The bleeding sacrifice*

*In my behalf appears;*

*Before the throne my surety stands,*

*Before the throne my surety stands;*

*My name is written on His hands!*

*Five bleeding wounds He bears,*

*Received on Calvary.*

*They pour effectual prayers;*

*They strongly plead for me;*

*"Forgive him, oh, forgive they cry,"*

*"Forgive him, oh, forgive they cry,"*

*"Nor let that ransomed sinner die!"*

*My God is reconciled:*

*His pardoning voice I hear;*

*He owns me for His child;*

*I can no longer fear;*

*With confidence I now draw nigh,*

*With confidence I now draw nigh:*

*And "Father, Abba, Father, cry!"*

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