

OUR TRANSGRESSIONS BLOTTED OUT

1. The transgressions.

1. “I” refers to Jehovah.

1. Previous verses (22-24) show how the church had not served God correctly, which show what we do.

2. God’s people are not able to worship God properly, even when we try our best.

- What Israel and we do (even when striving to do our best) is “transgressions” and “sins.”

1. The former speaks of sin as rebellion and the latter speaks of sin as a deliberate missing of God’s glory.

2. The failure to meet our obligations incurs guilt, a debt we are to pay.

- God “blotteth out” and “will not remember.”

1. The wonder is not the presence of sin and guilt, but that they are forgiven!!
Again and again!!

2. To “blot out” is to destroy, to wipe out, obliterate, exterminate, abolish.

3. By faith lay hold of what God declares about you!

- The reason we can be so sure is because of “I, even I.”

1. It is impossible for us to remove our transgressions and sins – we only add to it!

2. God blots out our sins by taking them and their guilt on Himself: “I, even I.”

1. He assumed our guilt when His Son came in the likeness of our sinful flesh.

2. God’s own Son bore the punishment completely, and His suffering was of infinite value that it blotted out every sin.

- The motive and the purpose is “for mine own sake” – look at verse 21.

1. Everything is ultimately for God's sake, not for our sake.
2. He saves us so we can declare His praise.