

HIDING OUR SINS UNDER THE SEA

God describes for us what He does with our sins when we come to Him for forgiveness. Read this verse from **Micah 7:19** and repeat the part in bold type.

He will turn again, he will have compassion upon us; he will subdue our iniquities; and thou wilt cast all their sins into the depths of the sea.

When you throw a rock into a body of water, it disappears from sight. This is an illustration of what God does with our sins. The rock does not disappear, it is just hidden from view. God does not forget our sins, He just chooses not to bring them to thought after we ask for His forgiveness.

To illustrate this in your own home ...

1. Fill a clear glass or Mason jar with water.
2. Put a lid or covering over the top.
3. Grab a quarter or any other coin and put it on a table.
4. Say this coin will be like our sins for which we ask God to forgive us.
5. According to Micah 7:19, what example does God give for what happens to all our sins? (*He casts all our sins into the depths of the sea.*)
6. Now take the clear cup or jar of water and set it on top of the coin.
7. The coin will have disappeared from sight. It's as if the coin is not there at all. That's what happens when God makes us "pure and clean." He no longer 'sees' our sin and we can enjoy our relationship with Him.