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## **TURN A CORNER!**

During a sharing time once at a conference where Ray and I were speaking, a young woman stood and said, through tears, "I struggle a lot with my past. I have huge guilt feelings over sins of years ago."

We could all feel for her! Ray asked her, "Are you a believer in Christ?" "Oh, yes!" she said.

"Then," Ray said, in front of them all, "Take this truth from God's Word for you:

"First John 1:7: 'The blood of Jesus, [God's] Son, purifies us from all sin.'

"Will you believe that for yourself?"

"Yes," she said, "I will."

This conference was in a United Methodist Church, so he quoted a Wesley hymn for her and for everyone:

"No condemnation now I dread;  
Jesus, and all in Him, is mine!  
Alive in Him, my living Head,  
And clothed in righteousness divine,  
Behold I approach th' eternal throne  
And claim the crown, through Christ, my own!"

There are Christians who never enter into the happy fullness of God's grace and forgiveness. No wonder the writer to the Hebrews warns,

"See to it that no one misses the grace of God" (12:15)!

Take His grace into your heart anew, my friend, and praise and thank Him continually! You'll turn a corner!