# **POSITIONAL FORGIVENESS VS. PRACTICAL FORGIVENESS**

# A. THE PRIMARY DIFFERENCES

1. Regarding TO WHOM forgiveness is offered			
	a.	Positional forgiveness is offered to all	(Luke 24:47)
	b.	Practical forgiveness is offered to (Ps. 32:5; James 5:15)	)
2.	Re	garding the ASSOCIATION of forgiveness	
	a.	Positional forgiveness is associated with14)	the Family of God. Eph. 1:13-
	b.	Practical forgiveness is associated with with God. (1 Cor. 11:30-32; 1 John 1:3-10)	
3.	Re	garding the REQUIREMENTS of forgiveness	
	a.	For Positional forgiveness in 13:38-39; 26:18)	n is required. (Acts 10:43;
	b.	For Practical forgiveness is required. (Luke 15:11-24; 1 John	
4.	Re	garding the RECEPTION of forgiveness	
	a.	Positional forgiveness is received by 1:14; 2:13; 3:13)	in Christ. (Col.

#### 5. Regarding the NECESSITY of forgiveness

- a. Positional forgiveness is needed to go to \_\_\_\_\_\_ in the \_\_\_\_\_. (1 Cor. 6:9-11)
- b. Practical forgiveness is needed to have the \_\_\_\_\_\_ of your salvation in the \_\_\_\_\_\_. (1 John 1:3-4; Ps. 51:10)

#### 6. Regarding the FREQUENCY of forgiveness

- a. Positional forgiveness happens \_\_\_\_\_\_ and for all. (Col. 2:13; Ps. 103:10-12)
- b. Practical forgiveness happens whenever the believer \_\_\_\_\_ and the Holy Spirit \_\_\_\_\_\_. (1 John 1:9; Ps. 32:3-5; 38:1-18)

# **B. SEEING BOTH SIDES OF THIS DISTINCTION**

# 1. King David (Ps. 51:1-12, 16-17)

# 2. Peter the disciple (John 13:1-11)

- a. Peter picked up defilement in his \_\_\_\_\_\_; and Jesus said, "*If I do* not wash you, you have no part with Me" --meaning you have no \_\_\_\_\_\_ with Me. (v. 8)
- b. What Christ was saying is that the believer who has "\_\_\_\_\_" (GK *loutroo*) i.e., has been born again, only needs to "\_\_\_\_\_" (GK *nipto*) his feet on a daily basis through confession. (v. 10)

\* How can you apply these truths in your own life?