

## **11-27-17 At the heart**

Recently, Terry Gross from Fresh Air was interviewing someone whose early life had some painful mistakes. Gross asked him if he would like to have some do-overs. His reply was surprising, “No. I would not be who I am today without those mistakes.”

Well, we can learn from our mistakes and our past sins. But some folks still beat themselves up for things they did or didn't do a very long time ago.

So hear the good news, news that Christians proclaim and hear every Sunday: “In Jesus Christ, you are forgiven...we are forgiven.” It is at the heart of Christian faith.

And it's not because we deserve forgiveness. God does not love or forgive us because we are good. God loves and forgives us because God is good.

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