New Life

A heavy usually tapering staff especially of wood wielded as a weapon

A playing card marked with a stylized figure of a black clover

A group identified by some common characteristic

An association of persons participating in a plan by which they agree to make regular payments or purchases in order to secure some advantage

The Hurlingham Club



The Yellowstone Club



Scotch Valley Country Club





A Member of the Forgiven Club

The cost is more than anyone can pay

Colossians 2:13-14

When you were dead in your sins and in the uncircumcision of your sinful nature, God made you alive with Christ. He forgave us all our sins, having canceled the written code, with its regulations, that was against us and that stood opposed to us; He took it away, nailing it to the cross.

The benefits are more than anyone can imagine

Psalm 32 Vs 1-2

Blessed is he whose transgressions are forgiven, whose sins are covered.

Blessed is the man whose sin the LORD does not count against him and in whose spirit is no deceit.

The word "blessed" here is happy

Happy-fortunate, pleased, satisfied

Happy is the condition and the potential

Transgression Sin of commission.

Sin

Missing the mark or standard

Sin (iniquity)
Internal soul sickness

Forgiven

The act of excusing another in spite of their shortcomings, and errors

Covered

Erased

Not counted against him Never to be rewritten

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When I kept silent, my bones wasted away through my groaning all day long.

Benefit #1 Forgiveness starts the healing process

Disclaimer:

Forgiven does not mean the removal of the consequences

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For day and night your hand was heavy upon me; my strength was sapped as in the heat of summer. *Selah*

Benefit #2 Forgiveness allows strength to be received

Then I acknowledged my sin to you and did not cover up my iniquity. I said, "I will confess my transgressions to the LORD"-- and you forgave the guilt of my sin. Selah

Benefit #3 There is continued forgiveness available

Disclaimer:
stopping and confessing are two
completely different things

Therefore let everyone who is godly pray to you while you may be found; surely when the mighty waters rise, they will not reach him.

Let everyone who is godly

•The encouragement is to those who feel that they are sinners

•Who desire some way of relief from the burden of sin

•Who are convinced that there is no other source of relief but God

Benefit #4 You can invite anyone to be a member of the forgiven club

You are my hiding place; you will protect me from trouble and surround me with songs of deliverance. *Selah*

Benefit #5 There will be a growing confidence in God and His ability

You are my hiding place; you will protect me from trouble and surround me with songs of deliverance. *Selah*

Benefit #6 There is a song of victory sung to your soul

I will instruct you and teach you in the way you should go; I will counsel you and watch over you.

Benefit #7 The forgiven one hears the voice of God

Do not be like the horse or the mule, which have no understanding but must be controlled by bit and bridle or they will not come to you.

Benefit #8 The bit and the bridle will not be needed in the life of the forgiven

Many are the woes of the wicked, but the LORD's unfailing love surrounds the man who trusts in Him.

Benefit #9 The forgiven one is surrounded by God's mercy

Rejoice in the LORD and be glad, you righteous; sing, all you who are upright in heart!