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EVAPORATION

I have always been intrigued by evaporation. You know, the process through which air dries water. Whether it be dishes in the dish rack, a wet dish towel, or that puddle of water in your driveway, it takes place secretly. Sometimes there is a “water ring” left, but it isn’t the water. It is an outline of “what was there.” The water is gone! The only thing that could distort our view of evaporation is if someone wet that towel when you weren’t looking or filled that puddle in the driveway up when your back was turned. Evaporation still took place, but the deception would make it look like it didn’t happen.

We cannot see it happening, we can only see the results of evaporation. Things that were wet now are dry. The water disappears.

I think repentance is a lot like evaporation. Our sin is so evident when we look at it, but when we ask God to forgive us, somehow beyond our comprehension God washes it away with the blood of Jesus and it is gone. We cannot bring it back. It is as if our sin has been evaporated. It is no longer there.

The only way it still “seems” there is if our adversary the devil brings the sin up. He makes us think it is still there, but it isn’t, it is gone. If he can get into our thought lives and cause us to think our sin hasn’t been “evaporated” then it will be a deception to get us to dwell on what in reality isn’t there anymore.

When you repent God “forgets it” forever. He never brings it back up because it has been put into the sea of forgetfulness to never be remembered. There may be a “water ring” of what we had done as a reminder of what had been sin, but the sin itself is gone. We must not focus on the “ring.” We must focus on the fact that it is gone forever.