

Friends,

There are some children near my home who love to play with sidewalk chalk--often writing their letters, drawing pictures, or scribbling. Yet on a rainy day like today, all of their beautiful (and sometimes not so beautiful) artwork is suddenly erased. After the pouring rain, all that is left is a sidewalk that's running with a mess of colors that were once something meaningful to them.

It occurred to me that this is what God does with our sin. While we all have sinned, God has come away and erased it. Just as rain does, our sin has been washed away through Jesus. What remains is each of us, now beautiful examples of God's grace and forgiveness. Thus while a child's work on a sidewalk is totally wiped away, God's work in our lives will always remain for others to see long after our sin is gone. Thanks be to God.

On the journey with you,  
Pastor Jordan