

FORGIVEN! ~ Psalm 32:1-11

➔Scripture Reading Psalm 32:1-5 NLT

FORGIVENESS IS A BLESSING ~ Psalm 32:1-2

[1] **Blessed** is he whose transgressions are forgiven, whose sins are covered. [2] **Blessed** is the man whose sin the Lord does not count against him and in whose spirit is no deceit.

REFUSAL TO REPENT ~ Psalm 32:3-4

[3] When I kept silent, my bones wasted away through my groaning all day long. [4] For day and night your hand was heavy upon me; my strength was sapped as in the heat of summer.

APPLICATION

Psalm 103:1-5 (NLT) Let all that I am praise the LORD; with my whole heart, I will praise his holy name. [2] Let all that I am praise the LORD; may I NEVER FORGET the good things he does for me. [3] He forgives all my sins and heals all my diseases. [4] He redeems me from death and crowns me with love and tender mercies. [5] He fills my life with good things. My youth is renewed like the eagle's!

God does not permit His children to sin SUCCESSFULLY. Spurgeon

Hebrews 12:7-8 (NIV) Endure hardship as discipline; God is treating you as sons. For what son is not disciplined by his father? [8] If you are not disciplined (and everyone undergoes discipline), then you are illegitimate children and not true sons.

Ephesians 6:4 (ESV) Fathers, do not provoke your children to anger, but bring them up in the discipline and INSTRUCTION of the Lord.

2 Timothy 3:16-17 (HCS) All Scripture is inspired by God and is profitable for teaching, for rebuking, for correcting, for training in righteousness, [17] so that the man of God may be complete, equipped for every good work.

Discipline Included BOTH...

- INSTRUCTION - Training and Teaching to do what is Right
- CORRECTION - punishment of wrong

Discipline can be CORRECTIVE Discipline

Psalm 119:67 (NIV) Before I was afflicted I went astray, but now I obey your word.

Discipline can be INSTRUCTIVE Discipline

Job 42:2, 5-6 (HCS) I know that You can do anything and no plan of Yours can be thwarted. ...[5] I had heard rumors about You, but now my eyes have seen You. [6] Therefore I take back my words and repent in dust and ashes.

DISCIPLINE can be PREVENTATIVE Discipline

2 Corinthians 12:6-7 (NLT) ...So to keep me from becoming proud, I was given a thorn in my flesh, a messenger from Satan to torment me and keep me from becoming proud.

Job 5:17-18 (NIV) "Blessed is the man whom God CORRECTS; so do not despise the DISCIPLINE of the Almighty. [18] For he **wounds**, but he also **binds up**; he **injures**, but his hands also **heal**.

REPENTANCE TURNING TO GOD ~ Psalm 32:5

SELAH - Pause or Musical Interlude Could...

- change the FOCUS
- create SUSPENSE
- point to TRUTH

[5] 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*

APPLICATION

Psalm 130:3-4 (NET) If you, O LORD, were to keep track of sins, O Lord, who could stand before you? [4] But you are willing to **FORGIVE**, SO THAT you might be HONORED.

The GOAL of Forgiveness - is that God would be HONORED

Matthew 26:26-28 (NIV) While they were eating, Jesus took bread, gave thanks and broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying, "Take and eat; this is my body." [27] Then he took the cup, gave thanks and offered it to them, saying, "Drink from it, all of you. [28] This is **MY BLOOD** of the covenant, which is **POURED OUT** for many for the **FORGIVENESS** of sins.

The GOAL of Forgiveness - is that God would be HONORED

The COST of Forgiveness - was the BLOOD of Jesus

2 Corinthians 5:15 (NIV) And **HE DIED** for all, that those who live **should NO LONGER live for THEMSELVES but FOR HIM** who died for them and was raised again.

The GOAL of Forgiveness - is that God would be HONORED

The COST of Forgiveness - was the blood of JESUS

Jesus paid a HIGH COST to Forgive us - so that we would LIVE FOR Him NOT ourselves

CALL TO PRAYER AND REPENTANCE ~ Psalm 32:6-7

[6] 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.

God does not make himself READILY available to those who seek him ONLY in times of extreme distress. NIV App. Com.

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

LISTEN TO INSTRUCTION ~ Psalm 32:8-11

[8] I will instruct you and teach you in the way you should go; I will counsel you and watch over you. [9] 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. [10] Many are the woes of the wicked, but the Lord's unfailing love surrounds the man who trusts in him. [11] Rejoice in the Lord and be glad, you righteous; sing, all you who are upright in heart!

TAKE AWAY ??

1 John 2:1-2 (NLT) My dear children, I am writing this to you so that you WILL NOT SIN. But if anyone does sin, we have an ADVOCATE who PLEADS OUR CASE before the Father. He is Jesus Christ, the one who is truly righteous. [2] He himself is the SACRIFICE that ATONES for our sins -and not only our sins but the sins of all the world.

1 John 1:8-9 (NLT) If we CLAIM we have **NO SIN**, we are only fooling ourselves and not living in the truth. [9] But if we **CONFESS our sins to Him, He is faithful and just to FORGIVE us our sins and to CLEANSE us from all wickedness.**

Psalm 51:12 (NLT) RESTORE to me the **JOY of your SALVATION**, and make me willing to obey you.

Great God of wonders! All Thy ways
Are matchless, Godlike and divine;
But the fair glories of Thy grace
More Godlike and unrivaled shine,
Who is a pardoning God like Thee?
Or who has grace so rich and free?

Crimes of such horror to forgive,
Such guilty sinners thus to spare;
This is Thy grand prerogative,
And none shall in the honor share,
Who is a pardoning God like Thee?
Or who has grace so rich and free?

In wonder lost, with trembling joy,
We take the pardon of our God:
Pardon for crimes of deepest dye,
A pardon bought with Jesus' blood,
Who is a pardoning God like Thee?
Or who has grace so rich and free?