## Psalm 51:1-2 (NET)

<sup>1</sup> Have mercy on me, O God, because of your loyal love! Because of your great compassion, wipe away my rebellious acts! <sup>2</sup> Wash away my wrongdoing! Cleanse me of my sin!

## **Psalm 51:3-4** (NET)

<sup>3</sup> For I am aware of my rebellious acts; I am forever conscious of my sin. <sup>4</sup> Against you - you above all - I have sinned; I have done what is evil in your sight. So you are just when you confront me; you are right when you condemn me.

## Psalm 51:8-10 (NET)

<sup>8</sup> Grant me the ultimate joy of being forgiven! May the bones you crushed rejoice! <sup>9</sup> Hide your face from my sins! Wipe away all my guilt! <sup>10</sup> Create for me a pure heart, O God! Renew a resolute spirit within me!

#### Psalm 51:16-17 (NET)

<sup>16</sup> Certainly you do not want a sacrifice, or else I would offer it; you do not desire a burnt sacrifice. <sup>17</sup> The sacrifices God desires are a humble spirit - O God, a humble and repentant heart you will not reject.

## A BROKEN spirit and a CONTRITE Heart Psalm 51

When He tells us to love our enemies, He gives, along with the command, the love itself. Corrie Ten Boom



2 Samuel 12:7 (NLT) Then Nathan said to David, **You are that man!** The LORD, the God of Israel, says: I anointed you king of Israel and saved you from the power of Saul... 2 Samuel 12:11 (NLT) This is what the LORD says: Because of what you have done, I will cause your own household to rebel against you...

## PSALM 51

For the director of music. A psalm of David. When the prophet Nathan came to him after David had committed adultery with Bathsheba.

<sup>1</sup> Have mercy on me, O God, according to your unfailing love; according to your great compassion blot out my transgressions. Three words Describe FORGIVENESS > BLOT OUT > WASH AWAY > CLEANSE me

## **Three words Describe SIN**

 my TRANSGRESSIONS- willful Defiance of God
my INIQUITY- deliberate Turning Away from God's path
my SIN - purposely missing the target <sup>4</sup> Against You, especially You, I have SINNED; I have DONE what is SINFUL in Your sight. So You are JUST when You confront me; You are RIGHT when You condemn me.

(NET)

## We are either FOR or AGAINST God <sup>4</sup> AGAINST You, and You ALONE, have I sinned; I have done what is evil in Your sight... (NLT)

## We Show That We Are...

- FOR- God by saying YES to Him as we OBEY
- AGAINST- God by saying NO to Him choosing DISOBEDIENCE

1 Samuel 15:22 (NLT) But Samuel replied, What is more pleasing to the LORD: your burnt offerings and sacrifices **OR your OBEDIENCE** to His voice? Listen! **OBEDIENCE** is better than SACRIFICE, and SUBMISSION is better than offering the fat of rams.

# <sup>12</sup> ...Sustain me by giving me the **DESIRE** to **OBEY**.

(NET)

## The DESIRE to OBEY comes From God

<sup>12</sup> Restore to me the joy of Your salvation, and MAKE ME willing to obey You. (NLT)

<sup>12</sup> ...Sustain me by GIVING me the DESIRE to OBEY. (NET) 2 Samuel 12:10 (NIV) ...the SWORD will NEVER depart from your house, because you despised ME and took the wife of Uriah the Hittite to be your own.

## -> God's MERCY and GRACE

## We see that God Loves the Unlovable and Forgives the Unforgiveable

## That is what His Mercy and Grace are ALL about