

WHEN YOU'VE BLOWN IT

(God's Songbook: A Journey Through the Psalms – Part 6)

February 5, 2023

Psalm 51

The Backstory: 2 Samuel 11 & 12

Sin Is Always Ultimately Against _____

The Right Way to Repent:

Stop _____ for sin

_____ sin

_____ your sin

Results of Repentance:

A _____ of God's grace/mercy with others

An increased _____ for and _____ of God

The motivation to repent: _____

Life Group Questions for the Week of February 5, 2023

1. Looking back at your notes from this Sunday's message, was there anything that particularly caught your attention, challenged, or confused you?
2. In how many ways did David sin in the Bathsheba affair (see 2 Sa 11:1-27)?
3. Since such sins involve others, what is the meaning of verse 4? What does this show about the nature of sin?
4. In what way can an unborn child be considered "sinful" (v. 5)? If God created all things "good", why does mankind tend to sin (see Rom. 5:12-14)?
5. What is "cleansing with hyssop" (see Lev. 14:4-7)? Why does David request this?
6. The forgiveness and grace we receive from God for our sins is an amazing thing. Yet it can be a battle to be freed from the burden of past sins, sins we find ourselves repeating, or knowing if we're genuinely owning up to our stuff. What do we learn from God's response to the confession of those in the following passages and what it takes to really own up to our stuff? Is.1:11-17; Amos 6:6-8; Mt 18:21-22

Looking back at these verses, how would you specifically describe a person "doing religion to get out of a jam" compared to a person who's honestly seeking forgiveness?

How could acting on what these verses call us to do free us up from the battle of ongoing sin or the burden of past sin?
7. What kinds of sacrifices does the Lord desire in verses 16-17? In verse 19? When is a broken spirit or contrite heart enough? When are acts of sacrifice due?
8. How have you seen God's mercy when you owned up to your sin?