

Getting To Where We Need To Be . . .

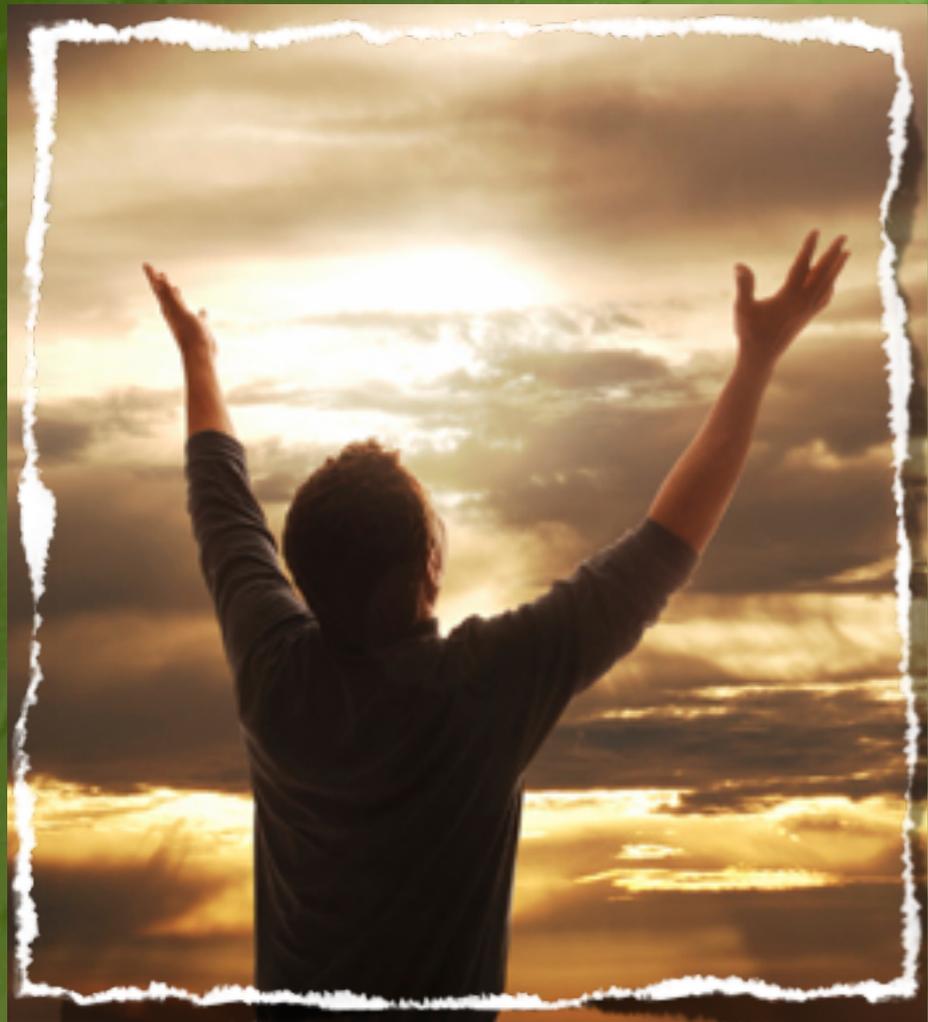
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The Path To God

PSALM 51:1-17

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- 📌 Something Every Sinner Must Do - (Lk 13:3,5; Acts 17:30)
- 📌 Something God wants every sinner to do - (Rom 2:3-6; 2 Peter 3:9)
- 📌 We Need To Understand The Nature of True Repentance -

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Repentance (Thayer Definitions) - There are three Greek words used in the New Testament to denote repentance.

(1.) μεταμέλλομαι – metameல்லομαι - 1) it is a care to one afterwards . . . (such as to produce regret or even remorse on account of sin & can include a change of action, but not necessarily so). Used with reference to the repentance of the son (Mat 21:29), & Judas (Mat 27:3).

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- 📌 (2.) μετανοέω - metanoēō - ἵ) to change one's mind, . . . for better, heartily to amend with abhorrence of one's past sins - (Acts 2:38; 8:22)
- 📌 (3.) μετάνοια – metanoia - ἵ) a change of mind, as it appears to one who repents, of a purpose he has formed or of something he has done (2 Cor. 7:10)

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- ➊ Its superscription ascribes the occasion to David's sin of adultery with Bathsheba and the murder of her husband Uriah (2 Sam. 11)
- ➋ Having been confronted with his sin, David confessed it (2 Sam. 12:13a).

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- After a believer sins, he must obtain forgiveness if he is to enjoy fellowship with God.
- The message of this psalm is that the vilest offender among God's people can receive forgiveness, the resumption of fellowship with God, if he comes with genuine repentance.

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This Psalm describes the attitude of one who is truly penitent.

PSALM 51:1-17 (NKJV)

¹ To the Chief Musician. A Psalm of David when Nathan the prophet went to him, after he had gone in to Bathsheba. Have mercy upon me, O God, According to Your lovingkindness; According to the multitude of Your tender mercies, Blot out my transgressions. ² Wash me thoroughly from my iniquity, And cleanse me from my sin. ³ For I acknowledge my transgressions, And my sin is always before me.

PSALM 51:1-17 (NKJV)

⁴ Against You, You only, have I sinned, And done this evil in Your sight-- That You may be found just when You speak, And blameless when You judge. ⁵ Behold, I was brought forth in iniquity, And in sin my mother conceived me. ⁶ Behold, You desire truth in the inward parts, And in the hidden part You will make me to know wisdom. ⁷ Purge me with hyssop, and I shall be clean; Wash me, and I shall be whiter than snow.

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⁸ Make me hear joy and gladness, That
the bones You have broken may rejoice. ⁹
Hide Your face from my sins, And blot out
all my iniquities. ¹⁰ Create in me a clean
heart, O God, And renew a steadfast
spirit within me. ¹¹ Do not cast me away
from Your presence, And do not take
Your Holy Spirit from me. ¹² Restore to
me the joy of Your salvation, And uphold
me by Your generous Spirit.

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¹³ Then I will teach transgressors
Your ways, And sinners shall be
converted to You. ¹⁴ Deliver me from
the guilt of bloodshed, O God, The
God of my salvation, And my tongue
shall sing aloud of Your
righteousness. ¹⁵ O Lord, open my
lips, And my mouth shall show forth
Your praise.

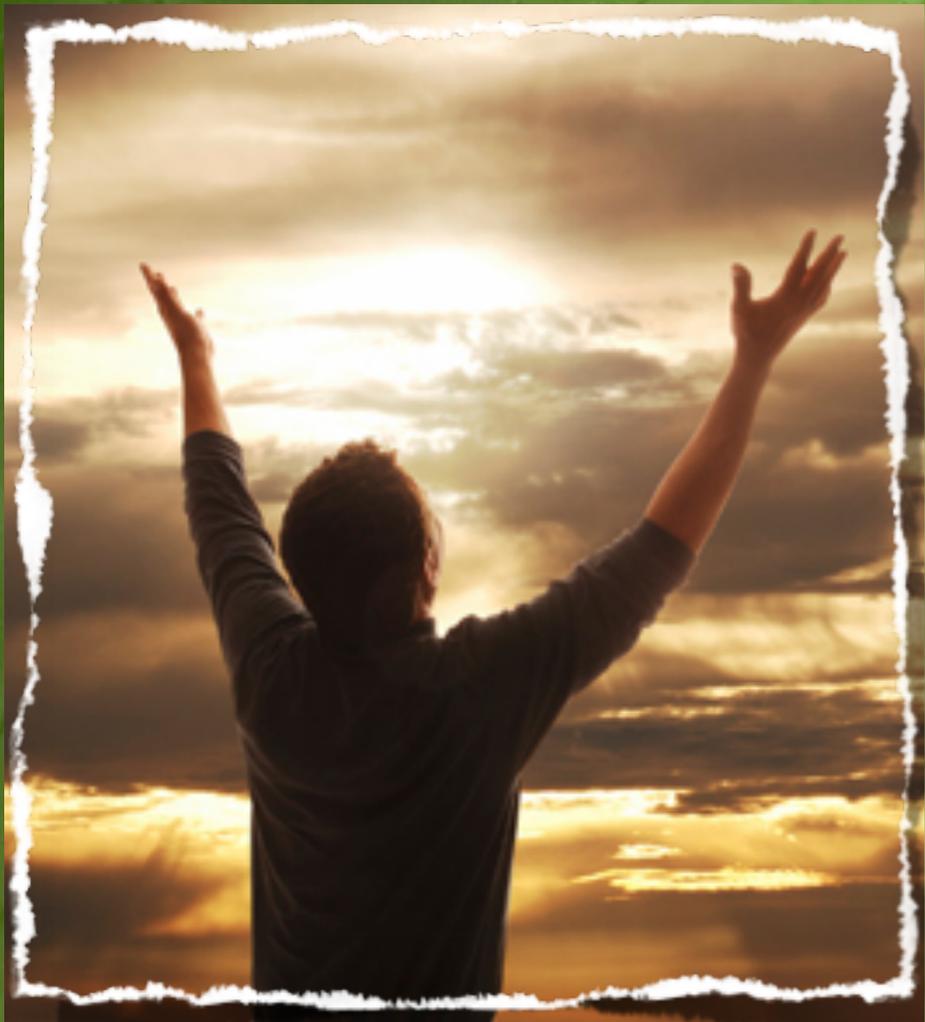
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¹⁶ For You do not desire sacrifice, or else I would give it; You do not delight in burnt offering. ¹⁷ The sacrifices of God are a broken spirit, A broken and a contrite heart-- These, O God, You will not despise.

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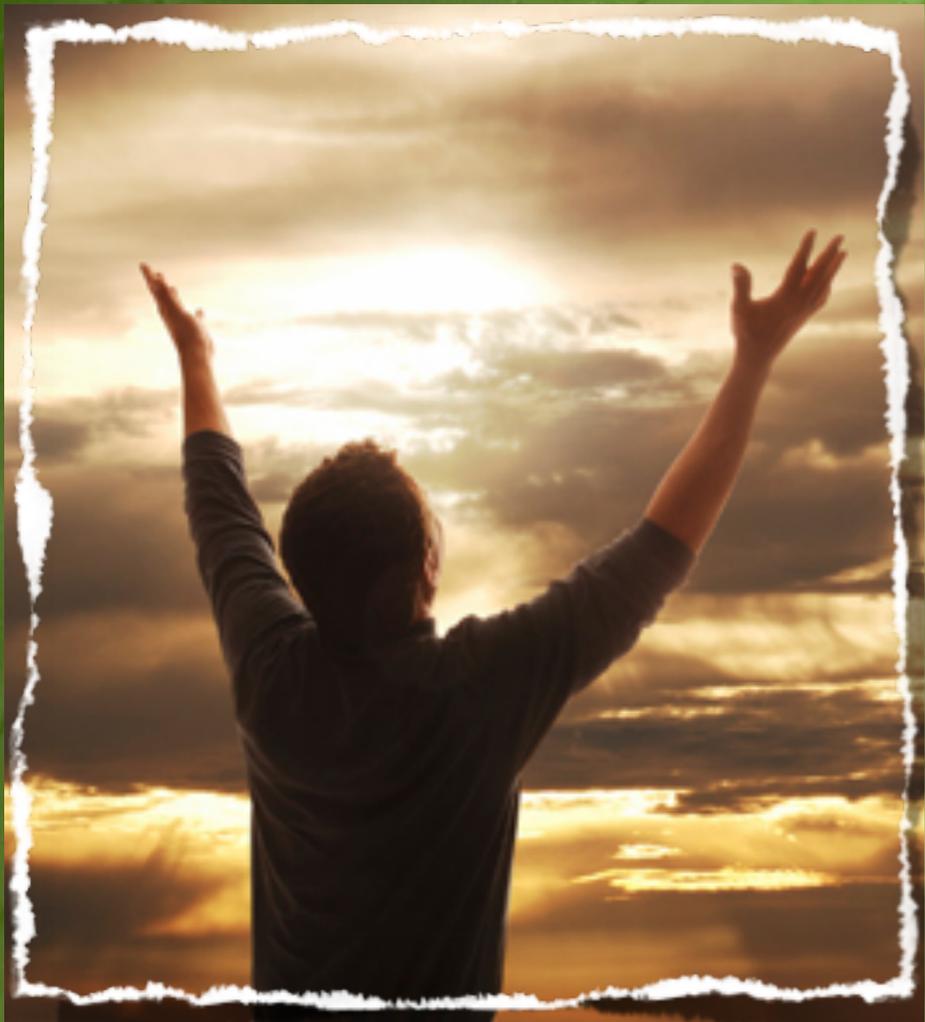


- **Pride must be humbled -**
Mat 5:3; 1 Pet 5:5,6
- **Acknowledgment that we have sinned against God -**
Psalm 51:1,2,4; Rom 3:23
- **Acknowledgment that we need God's mercy & help -**
Psalm 51:1-17; Prov 14:12

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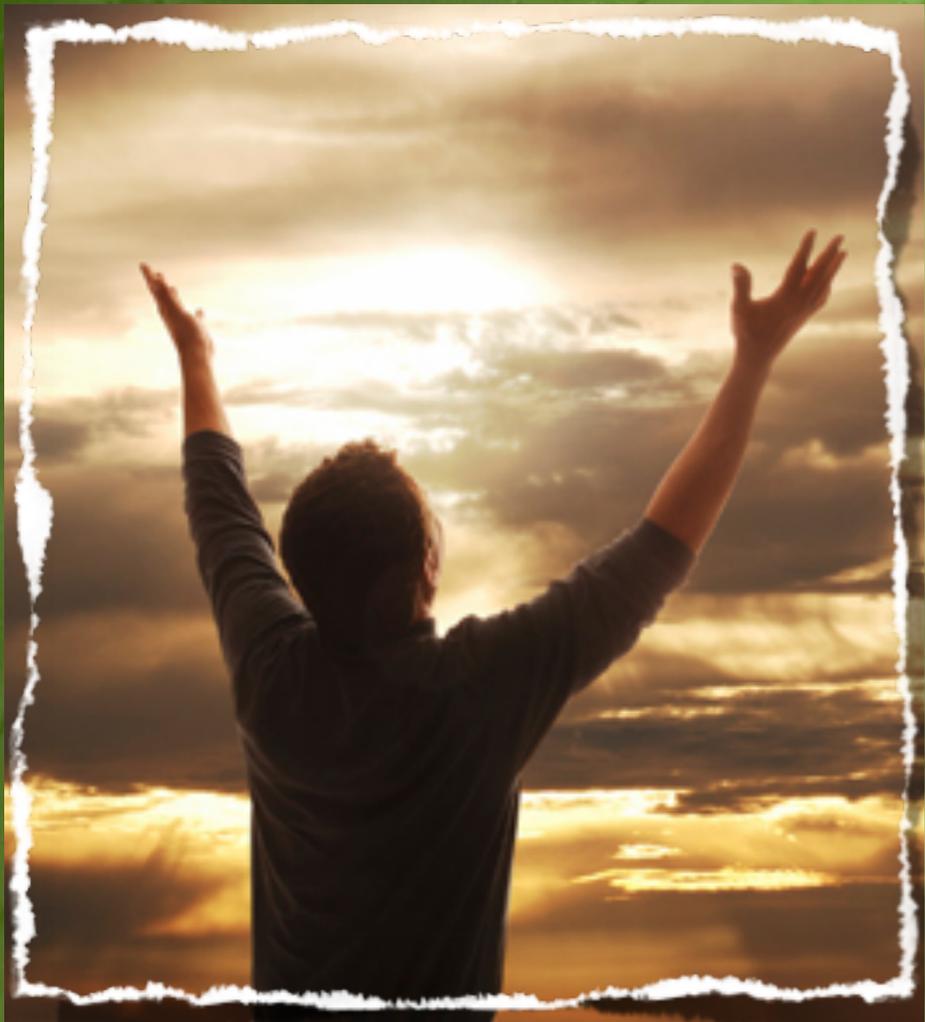


- Involves dying to self & living for Christ - Luke 9:23-25
- Walking according to the Spirit - NOT the flesh - Gal 5:16-26; John 6:63
- God's will should always be my aim & desire, not my own - Mat 26:38-44

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Recognition – (Psalm 51:1-4)

Of His Guilt

[1] . . . **my transgressions** . . .

[2] . . . **my iniquity** . . . **My sin** . . .

[3] For **I acknowledge my transgressions**, And **my sin** is always before me. [4] Against You, You only, have I **sinned**, And **done this evil** in Your sight--



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Recognition – (Psalm 51:1-4)

Of His Need

- For God's mercy - vs. 1
- His "transgressions" needed to be blotted out - vs 1
- His iniquity needed to be washed away – vs 2
- To be cleansed from his sin – vs 2
- His sin was ever present until forgiven! - vs 3



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Recognition – (Psalm 51:1-4)

Of His Only Hope

- He had sinned against God, (Gen. 39:9).
- God is just and blameless – (Psalm 92:15; Rom 2:5)
- Appealed to God's Mercy, & Lovingkindness – (2 Pet. 3:9; Eph. 2:1-10)



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We Need To Recognize



Our Guilt, Our Need & Our Only Hope

- Recognition of sin comes today through the word – Acts 2:14-41; Acts 8:19-24; 2 Tim. 2:24-26; Heb. 4:12
- God grants Time & opportunity – We must take advantage – 2 Tim 2:25; Acts 2:38; 8:22; 17:30

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And done this evil in Your sight-- That
You may be found just when You speak,
And blameless when You judge. [5]
Behold, I was brought forth in iniquity,
And in sin my mother conceived me.
[6] Behold, You desire truth in the
inward parts, And in the hidden part
You will make me to know wisdom.

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Remorse – (Psalm 51:3-6)



- David was remorseful that he had sinned against God – (3,4)
- Using hyperbole, David expresses the degree of his shame, (5)
 - David is NOT attempting to shift or minimize his guilt!!
 - “Total inherited depravity” NOT taught in this verse!

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The Pervasiveness of The False Doctrine of Inherited Total Depravity



- The Catholic church – leading to the practice of infant baptism and the doctrine of the immaculate conception of Christ .
- Most Protestant Denominations believe & teach that every person is born a sinner . . .

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The
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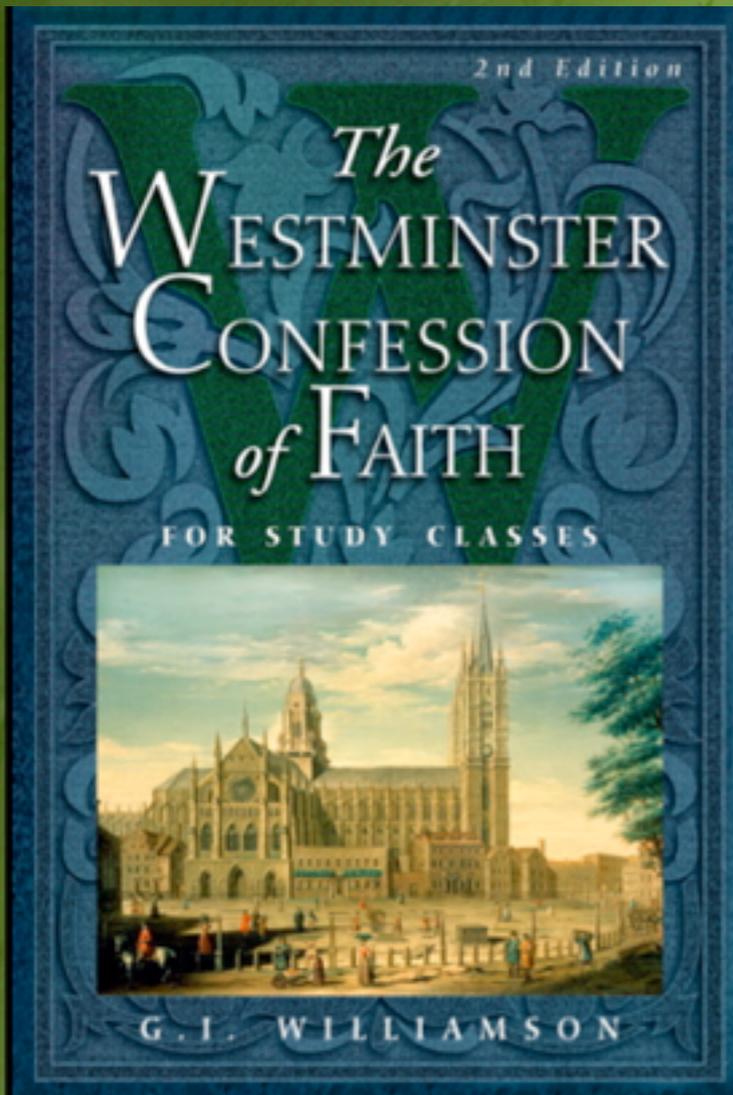
The confession of faith: Which was submitted to His Imperial Majesty Charles V at the Diet of Augsburg in the year 1530 by Philip Melancthon

Augsburg Confession of Faith (1530), “. . . all men, born according to nature, are born with sin, that is, without the fear of God, without confidence towards God and with concupiscence, and that this original disease or flaw is truly a sin, bringing condemnation and also eternal death to those who are not reborn through baptism and the Holy Spirit” (Article II).

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Westminster Confession: "They being the root of all mankind, the guilt of this sin was imputed, and the same death in sin and corrupted nature conveyed to all their posterity descending from them by ordinary generation. From this original corruption, whereby we are utterly indisposed, disabled, and made wholly inclined to all evil, do proceed all actual transgressions."

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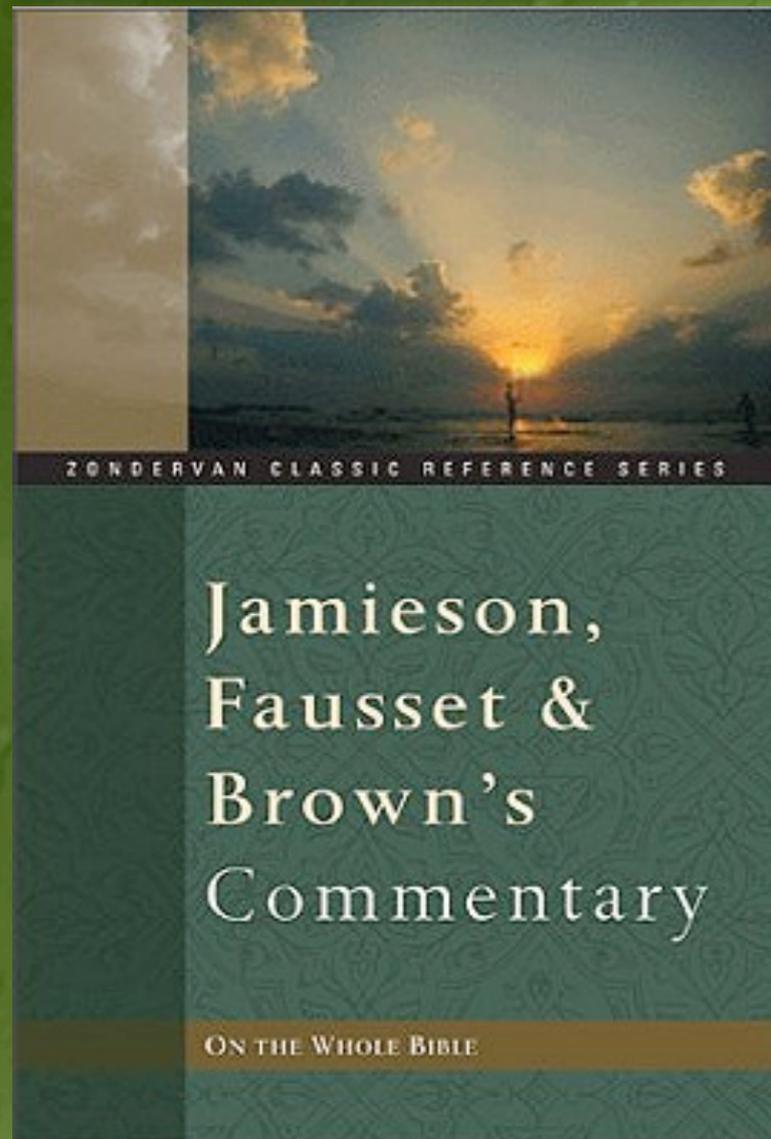
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BKC - 51:5-6. David then acknowledged that he was morally impotent. He was born a sinner, that is, at no time in his life was he without sin. **JFB - 5, 6.** His guilt was aggravated by his essential, native sinfulness, which is as contrary to God's requisitions of inward purity as are outward sins to those for right conduct.

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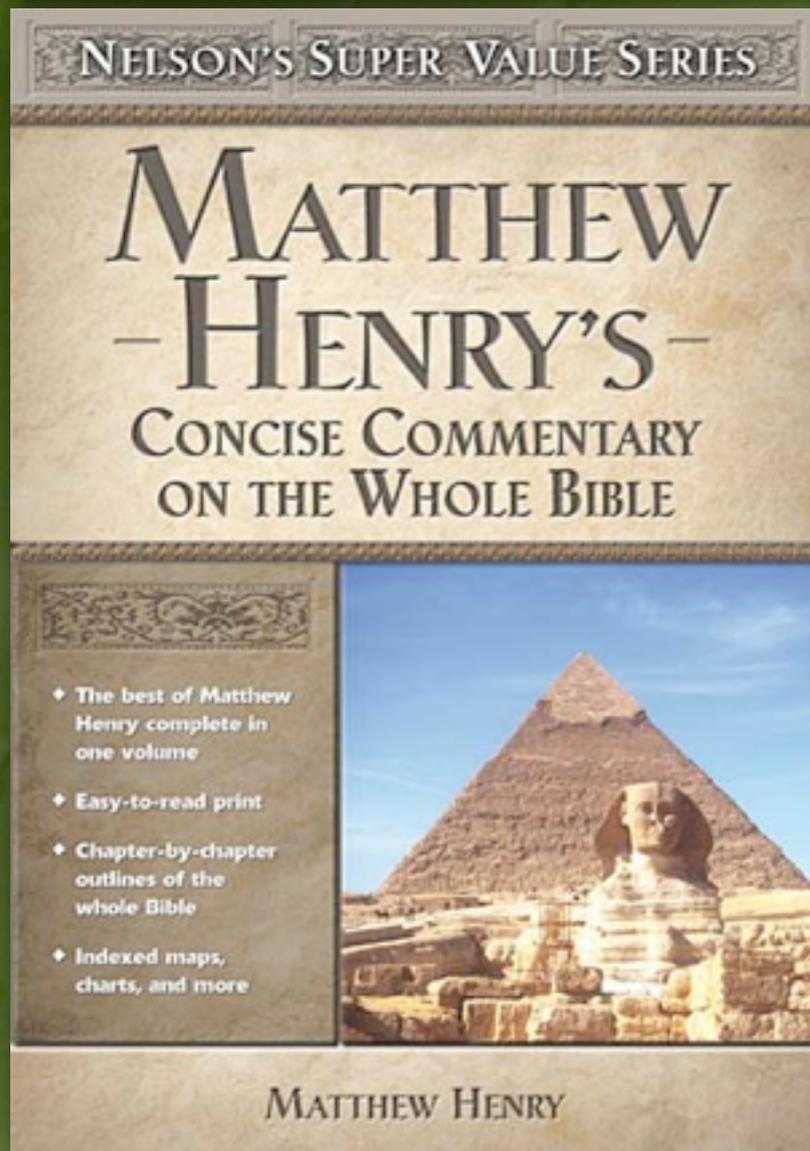
Adam Clarke – “I believe David to speak here of what is commonly called original sin; the propensity to evil which every man brings into the world with him, and which is the fruitful source whence all transgression proceeds.”



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Matthew Henry – “And the truly penitent will ever trace back the streams of actual sin to the fountain of **original depravity**. He confesses his **original corruption**. This is that foolishness which is bound in the heart of a child, that proneness to evil, and that backwardness to good, . . .”

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Barnes - “The object of this important verse is to express the deep sense which David had of his depravity. That sense was derived from the fact that this was not a sudden thought, or a mere outward act, or an offence committed under the influence of strong temptation, but that it was the result of an entire corruption of his nature - . . .”

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“ . . . of a deep depravity of heart, running back to the very commencement of his being. The idea is, that he could not have committed this offence unless he had been thoroughly corrupt, and always corrupt. The sin was as heinous and aggravated “as if” in his very conception and birth there had been nothing but depravity.

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“ . . . He looked at his, sin, . . . and he inferred that the one demonstrated that in the other there was no good thing, no tendency to goodness, no germ of goodness, but that there was evil, and only evil; . . . the design is to express his deep sense of his own depravity; a depravity so deep as to demonstrate that it must have had its origin in the very beginning of his existence. . . .

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“The idea is simply that he was “born” in iniquity; or that he was a sinner when he was born; or that his sin could be traced back to his very birth . . . And in sin did my mother conceive me - . . . This language simply traces his sin back to the time when he began to exist. The idea is, “as soon as I began to exist I was a sinner; . . .”

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- (NIV) Surely I was sinful at birth, sinful from the time my mother conceived me.
- (GW) Indeed, I was born guilty. I was a sinner when my mother conceived me.
- (Holman Christian Standard Bible) Indeed, I was guilty when I was born; I was sinful when my mother conceived me.
- (Good News Bible) - I have been evil from the day I was born; from the time I was conceived, I have been sinful.
- (Contemporary English Version) - I have sinned and done wrong since the day I was born.

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Remorse – (Psalm 51:3-6)

**Psalm 51:5
(NKJV)**

Behold, I
was brought
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iniquity, And
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- Part of Speech: noun masculine
- Hyperbole – emphasizing his shame – (cf. Job 31:18; Ps. 58:3; 1 Tim. 1:15) – (*I was born in a hospital bed and in a bed my mother conceived me – but that does not make me a bed!!*)
- The environment was corrupt – But that was no excuse – for God made David upright but he sought out many devices – vs. 6; Eccl. 7:29; Zec. 12:1; Acts 17:26-28

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- 📌 Constitutionally, we have the same nature as Adam before the fall!
- ✳️ Born neither sinful or righteous, without knowledge of good and evil (Deut. 1:38; Isa. 7:15; Rom. 9:11)
- ✳️ Born innocent – we DO NOT inherit guilt of sin!! - (Ezek. 18:20-32; Mt. 18:1-6; 19:14; Rom. 7:9)

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- Born with the capacity to grow in knowledge and ability to choose good and refuse evil (Lk. 2:40, 52; Isa. 7:15; Mt. 19:20; Lk. 18:21; 15:29-31)
- All men by the exercise of their will and voluntary acts of “disobedience” “have sinned” – i.e. violated God’s law; Those who sin are “dead in their sins” and under God’s wrath and condemnation, “by nature children of wrath” (Rom. 7:9; 3:23; 1 John 3:4; Eph. 2:1-3)

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David's Desire – (Psalm 51:7-14)

For God's Cleansing

vs 7 - Purge me with hyssop, and I shall be clean; Wash me, and I shall be whiter than snow.

For God's Healing

[8] Make me hear joy and gladness, That the bones You have broken may rejoice. [9] Hide Your face from my sins, And blot out all my iniquities.



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[10] Create in me a clean heart, O God, And renew a steadfast spirit within me.

For God's Fellowship

[11] Do not cast me away from Your presence, And do not take Your Holy Spirit from me.



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For God's Restoration

[12] Restore to me the joy of
Your salvation, And uphold me
by Your generous Spirit.

For God's Deliverance

[14] Deliver me from the guilt of
bloodshed, O God, The God of
my salvation,



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David's Resolve – (Psalm 51:7-12)

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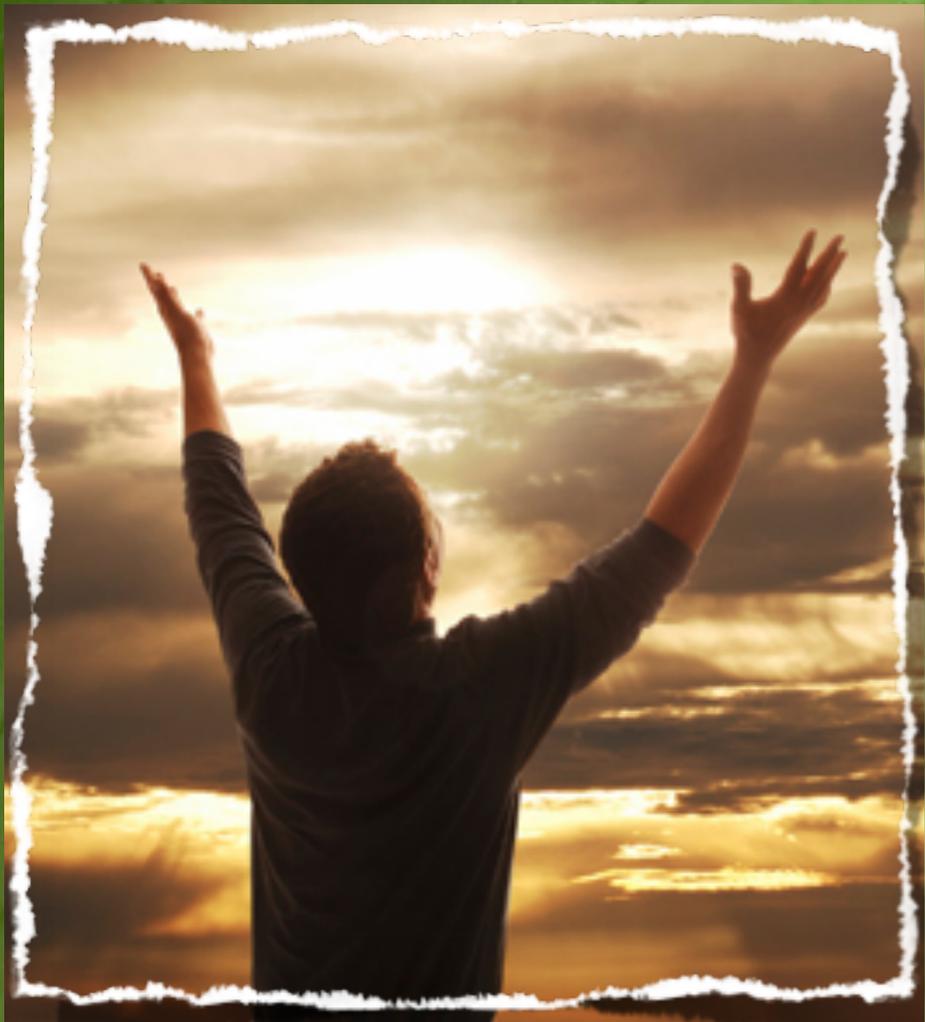
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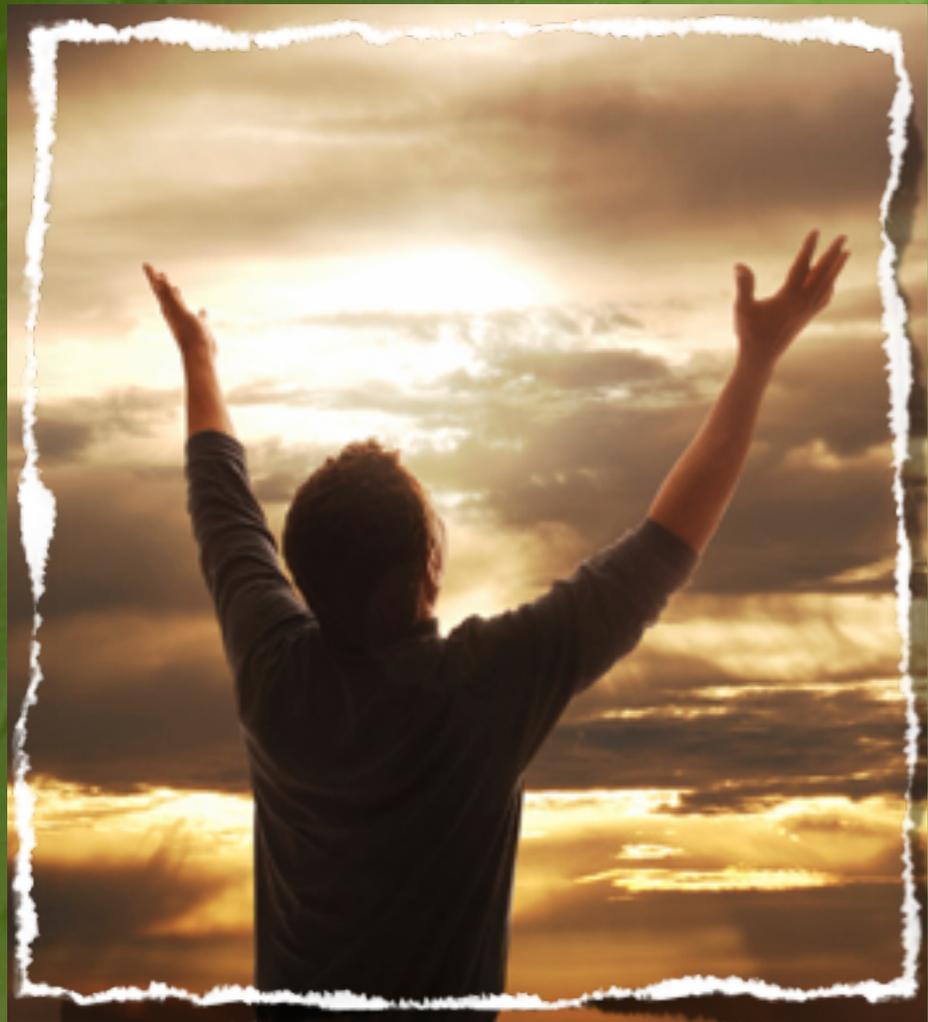
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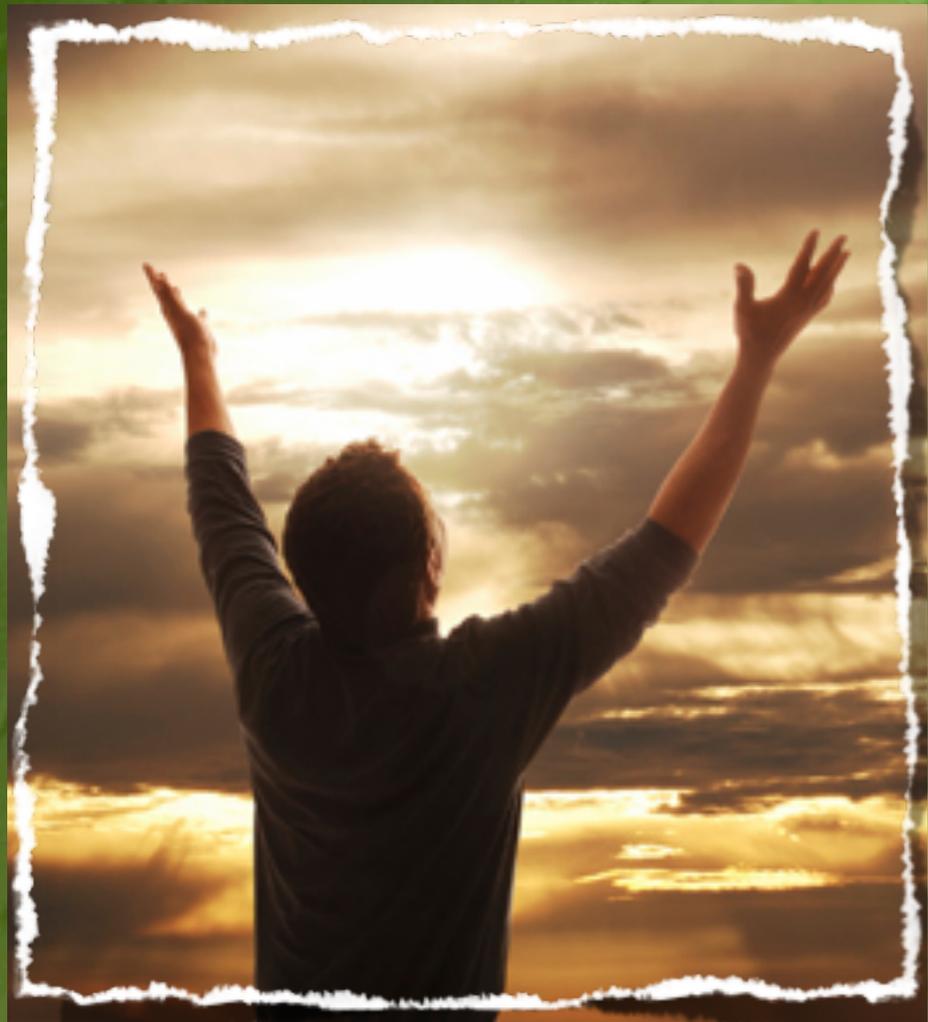
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- Have you come to recognize sin in your life?
- Are you remorseful over the sin in your life?
- Do you desire to be right with God, to receive His forgiveness, deliverance & restoration
- Then resolve to serve Him & surrender to His will **TODAY!**

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My hearts desire is that each & every person here experiences the mercy & lovingkindness of the Lord!

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2 CORINTHIANS 7:7–12 (NKJV)

⁷ and not only by his coming, but also by the consolation with which he was comforted in you, when he told us of your earnest desire, your mourning, your zeal for me, so that I rejoiced even more. ⁸ For even if I made you sorry with my letter, I do not regret it; though I did regret it. For I perceive that the same epistle made you sorry, though only for a while.

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⁹ Now I rejoice, not that you were made sorry, but that your sorrow led to repentance. For you were made sorry in a godly manner, that you might suffer loss from us in nothing. ¹⁰ For godly sorrow produces repentance leading to salvation, not to be regretted; but the sorrow of the world produces death.

2 CORINTHIANS 7:7—12 (NKJV)

¹¹ For observe this very thing, that you sorrowed in a godly manner: What diligence it produced in you, what clearing of yourselves, what indignation, what fear, what vehement desire, what zeal, what vindication! In all things you proved yourselves to be clear in this matter. ¹² Therefore, although I wrote to you, I did not do it for the sake of him who had done the wrong, nor for the sake of him who suffered wrong, but that our care for you in the sight of God might appear to you.