

House of Hope Macon A Journey of Hope

"Surely there is a future, and your HOPE will not be cut off." – Proverbs 23:18

February Series: Picking up the broken pieces with God, Self and Others

I. "PICKING UP THE BROKEN PIECES WITH GOD" – Psalm 51:1-2

There have been many times in my ministry that people have said to me they have sinned in a way that God could or would not forgive them. This is simply NOT true!

It does not matter how bad you have been; it does not matter what sins you have committed, God is in the business of forgiving sins and giving hope to those in need.

Tonight, I want you to understand that God loves you and you can pick up the broken pieces in your walk and relationship with Him. Your new beginning with God starts NOW!

SIN AFFECTS IN THE LIFE OF A CHRISTIAN

II. SIN AFFECTS OUR VIEW OF SELF

- **a.** If you are a child of God and you sin, **spiritually** you are going to feel **dirty**.
- **b.** If you don't feel dirty when you sin, you need to question whether you've ever been saved.
- c. Isaiah 5:20 Hebrews 10:26

III. SIN AFFECTS OUR MIND

- A test as to whether you're saved is not if you can sin but if you can sin and just ignore it, forget it. –
 Psalm 51:3
- **b.** If you are a child of God, the Holy Spirit will put his finger on the sore spot and <u>push</u>.
- **c.** The sin will remain in your conscious mind or in your subconscious mind.
- **d.** It can show up in your subconscious as an irritable temper, the inability to concentrate, sleepless nights, or lack of joy.
- e. Psalms 32:1-4 Matthew 26:69-75

IV. SIN AFFECTS THE LORD

- a. Psalm 51:4 Psalm 5:4-6
- **b.** David saw sin for what it actually was an **insult** to Almighty God.

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c. While an unsaved man sometimes feels bad about what his sin does to him, a saved man feels bad about what his sin does to <u>God</u>. – **Hebrews 6:4-6**

V. SIN AFFECTS OUR SPIRIT

- a. Psalm 51:10-12
- **b.** David doesn't ask for the restoration of his <u>salvation</u>. He had his salvation but he had lost the <u>joy</u> of his salvation.
- **c.** Sin is the one thing that can take the joy from your heart.
- **d.** Happiness is like a thermometer, it registers conditions. Joy is like a thermostat, it controls conditions.

VI. SIN AFFECTS OUR WITNESS

- a. Psalm 51:12-15
- **b.** Sin had <u>destroyed</u> his testimony, no song, no praise, and no testimony.

SIN ATONEMENT IN THE LIFE OF A CHRISTIAN

There are four steps that will show you how to bring back the song, the joy, and how to get right with God.

I. CONFIDENCE

- a. Psalm 51:1
- **b.** David knew for a multitude of sins, there is a multitude of mercies.

II. CONFESSION

- a. Psalm 51:2-3
- **b.** There's one thing that God will never accept for sin, and that's a defense.
- c. I John 1:9

III. CLEANSING

- a. Psalm 51:2 outwardly cleansed
- b. Psalm 51:7 inwardly cleansed
- c. Isaiah 1:18
- **d.** There is no stain that the blood of Jesus cannot remove.
- **e.** God doesn't just cleanse us just so we can sit around and be clean; He puts us back on the track of service