

Sermon #4: David's Lessons Learned Psalm 32

Six Reasons to Confess Sin

Personal Testimony: Having conf	essed his own sin, David says
Reason 1:	(1-2)
Reason 2:	(3-4)
Reason 3:	(5)

<u>Public Teaching</u> : Instructing others to confess their sin, David says,	
Reason 4:	(6-7)
Reason 5:	(8-9)
Reason 6:	(10-11)

Personal Application

Turn Psalm 32 into a personal prayer, by inserting pronouns that make it personal to you. Verses 1 and 2 are already done as an example. . .

¹ Lord, <u>I</u> am blessed because You have lifted <u>my</u> transgressions, and because you have covered <u>my</u> sin. ² Lord, <u>I</u> am blessed because You don't hold <u>my</u> iniquity against <u>me</u> and because You have removed deceit from <u>my</u> spirit.

Now try it yourself on the remain verses. . .

³ For 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 vigour was sapped as by the dry heat of summer. Selah.

⁵ 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 lifted the iniquity of my sin. Selah.

⁶ Therefore, let everyone who is godly pray to You at a time when You may be found. Surely, the mighty flood waters shall not reach him. ⁷ You are a hiding place for me. You protect me from trouble. You encompass me with songs of deliverance. Selah.

⁸ I will instruct you and teach you in the way you should go. I will counsel you with my eye upon you. ⁹ Be not like a horse or a mule, without understanding, which must be harnessed with bit and bridle, or it will not come near you.

¹⁰ Many are the sorrows of the wicked. But loyal love surrounds the one who trusts in the LORD. ¹¹ Be glad in the LORD and rejoice, O righteous, and shout with joy, all you upright in heart.

Continue in prayer now, reflecting on God's grace and mercy toward you a sinner.