

# “FROM TRANSGRESSION TO TRANSFORMATION”

Psalm 32:1-11

(The Pain and the Process of Sins Forgiven)

“I acknowledged my sin unto thee, and my iniquity have I not hid. I said, I will confess my transgressions unto the Lord, and thou forgavest the iniquity of my sin.” (v. 5)

## — INTRODUCTION —

- Psalm 32 is a record of David’s personal transformation.
- It is the process we all experience in genuine revival.
- It is the horrible picture of someone who covers their sin.
- It is the revelation of how God forgives and empowers.
- It is the journey that leads to growth and a clear conscience.

## The Process of Personal Reformation

### I. David’s CONVICTION (v. 1-4)

“When I kept silence, my bones waxed old through my roaring all the day long.” (v. 3)

**Fact:** When sin was revealed in David, his response was poor.

**Fact:** When sin was exposed, David covered it up.

**Fact:** When sin was seen, David “kept silent.”

“Kept silence” (v. 3) means:

- David was unwilling to confess it.
- David attempted to conceal it.
- David hoped that conviction would go away.

## What Happens When We Cover Up ?

1. *DECAY* — “My bones waxed old” (v. 3)
  - David’s health begins to falter.
  - David’s strength becomes exhausted.
2. *DISTRESS* — “Day and night thy hand was heavy upon me” (v. 4)
  - David feels God pressing upon him.
  - David feels the weight of guilt upon his conscience.
3. *DROUGHT* — “My moisture is turned into the drought of summer.”
  - David’s water supply is all dried up.
  - David senses that dew and rain are withheld.

**Question:** Why can’t David receive relief in drought?

**Answer:** Because David can’t look up to God in prayer.

“For innumerable evils have compassed me about. Mine iniquities have taken hold upon me, so that I am not able to look up. They are more than the hairs of mine head; therefore, my heart faileth me.” (Psalm 40:12)

## II. David’s CONFESSION (v. 5)

“I acknowledged my sin unto thee, and mine iniquity have I not hid.” (v. 5)

**Fact:** David yields himself to the Spirit of God.

**Fact:** David quits ignoring the Spirit’s prompting.

**Fact:** David refuses to cover up any longer.

**Fact:** David runs to God in deep repentance.

### What Is Genuine Repentance ?

“Now I rejoice, not that ye were made sorry but that he sorrowed to repentance; for ye were made sorry after a godly manner” (II Corinthians 7:9)

“For godly sorrow worketh repentance to salvation not to be repented (regretted) of; but the sorrow of the world worketh death.” (II Corinthians 7:10)

“For behold this self same thing, that ye sorrowed after a godly sort, what carefulness it wrought in you, yea, what clearing of yourselves, yea, what indignation, yea, what fear, yea, what vehement desire, yea, what zeal, yea, what revenge!” (II Corinthians 7:11)

### Deep Repentance Means:

- We agree with God about our sin.
- We are broken over what crucified our Lord.
- We are open to the conviction of the Spirit.
- We are willing for God to change us dramatically.
- We come to God in sorrow, honesty, and humility.

## III. David’s CLEANSING (v. 1, 2, 5, 6)

“Blessed is he whose transgression is forgiven” (v. 1)

**Question:** What happened when David repented?

**Answer:** The supernatural work of verse 1 became real.

**Fact:** The word “forgiven” means:

- To lift up, to bear all, to carry away.

**Fact:** The word “covered” means:

- Concealed, Hidden, Unseen, Out of Sight.

**Fact:** The words “imputeth not” mean:

- Sin is not charged to your account!
- Sin is not reckoned to your name!
- Sin is not able to accuse you any longer!

- Sin has been canceled by God's act of pardon!
- God now treats us as if we are innocent!
- God views us as if we had never sinned!
- Calvary has covered what we have uncovered!

#### IV. David's *CONFIDENCE* (v. 7-11)

"Thou art my hiding place; thou shalt preserve me from trouble; thou shalt compass me about with songs of deliverance."

#### **What's the Result of True Repentance ?**

- David finds refuge (v. 7) under God's protection.
- David finds relief (v. 7) from guilt's condemnation.
- David finds rejoicing (v. 11) as God restores his song.

#### **What's the Secret of Transformation ?**

- To pray immediately when we are convicted.
- To pray expectantly that God will forgive.
- To pray with humility regardless of who is watching.
- To pray with faith believing God to change us.

*AMEN !*

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