

Connect Group Guide: "The Joy Of Restoration | Psalm 32"



Passage: Psalm 32

Sermon Link: https://youtu.be/N_Ov1ZqGpq8

Welcome:

(Choose a question for your group to discuss)

- Have you ever had to confess something silly? Please share.

Worship:

(You may choose to use YouTube or other mediums to facilitate your time of worship)

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Word:

(Discuss these questions in your group, encourage everyone to take part)

Before reading the scripture:

- What makes us want to hide our sin from God and from others?
- Have you ever confessed your sin to God or others? What did you notice about yourself and about God during that process?

Read: Psalm 32

- Where in your life have you experienced:

- The blessing of forgiven sin
- The warning of hidden sin
- The joy of a restored relationship with God

- This passage speaks of 3 ways our sin separates us from God, which of these addresses your heart most?
 - Transgression - Rebelling against God's instruction
 - Sin - Falling short of God's standard
 - Inequity - Inner corruption & hardening of heart

- This passage speaks of being blessed by 3 expressions of God's forgiveness, which of these addresses your heart most?
 - Blessed because transgression are *forgiven*
 - Blessed because sins are *covered*
 - Blessed inequities are *not counted*

- Conviction and confession is God's way of bringing us back to him. Do you agree?
- What role does confession play in our relationship with God?

Works:

(Take some time for personal reflecting on the following questions and then share back with the group)

- Everything changed when David stopped hiding. How can you be fully honest with God this week?
- How & what can you confess to God & to faithful Christians so that you can experience God's restoration?

Closing:

(Remember to ask for prayer requests.)

Pray that we may find peace in knowing that our righteousness is in Christ alone, and that we can freely confess knowing that we will be forgiven.

