TALKING WITH GOD

USING THE PSALMS FOR PRAYER

Psalm 51

¹Have 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. 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.
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.

- 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.

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. 18 Do good in Your good pleasure to Zion;

Build the walls of Jerusalem.

19 Then You shall be pleased with the sacrifices of

righteousness,

With burnt offering and whole burnt offering;

Then they shall offer bulls on Your altar.

Two Men:



"Now when the wife of Uriah heard that Uriah her husband was dead, she mourned for her husband. 27 When the *time of* mourning was over, David sent and brought her to his house and she became his wife; then she bore him a son. But the thing that David had done was evil in the sight of the LORD." 2 Samuel 11:26-27

2 Samuel 12

1 "Then the LORD sent Nathan (the prophet) to David. And he came to him and said, "There were two men in one city, the one rich and the other poor. 2 "The rich man had a great many flocks and herds. 3 "But the poor man had nothing except one little ewe lamb which he bought and nourished; And it grew up together with him and his children. It would eat of his bread and drink of his cup and lie in his bosom, And was like a daughter to him. 4 "Now a traveler came to the rich man, And he was unwilling to take from his own flock or his own herd to prepare for the wayfarer who had come to him; Rather he took the poor man's ewe lamb and prepared it for the man who had come to him." 5 Then David's anger burned greatly against the man, and he said to Nathan, "As the LORD lives, surely the man who has done this deserves to die. 6 He must make restitution for the lamb fourfold, because he did this thing and had no compassion." 7 Then Nathan said to David, "You are that man!"

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David's sin was <u>always before</u> (him). vs 3 <u>Inescapable</u>

Broken bones vs 8

Hebrews 12: 5-6



God is <u>anxious</u> to <u>forgive</u> and <u>restore</u> us when we repent.

Acts 13:36

Hebrews 11



2nd Samuel 12

7b "Thus says the LORD God of Israel, 'It is I who anointed you king over Israel and it is I who delivered you from the hand of Saul. 8 I also gave you your master's house and your master's wives into your care, and I gave you the house of Israel and Judah; and if *that* had been too little, I would have added to you many more things like these! 9 Why have you despised the word of the LORD by doing evil in His sight? You have struck down Uriah the Hittite with the sword, have taken his wife to be your wife, and have killed him with the sword of the sons of Ammon.

10 Now therefore, the sword shall never depart from your house, because you have despised Me and have taken the wife of Uriah the Hittite to be your wife.' 11 Thus says the LORD, 'Behold, I will raise up evil against you from your own household; I will even take your wives before your eyes and give them to your companion, and he will lie with your wives in broad daylight. 12 Indeed you did it secretly, but I will do this thing before all Israel, and under the sun...However, because by this deed you have given occasion to the enemies of the LORD to blaspheme, the child also that is born to you shall surely die." "

Question:

What happens if we decide to not live as Jesus calls us to live?