



Series: Pray

Sermon: Part 2: When You Can't Hide Anymore

Date: Sunday, April 14th, 2024

Whether you believe in sin or not, we all can agree that there is a guilt that comes over us whenever we do something wrong.

When plan A failed to cover his sin, David came up with a more devious plan B.

"The thing David had done displeased the Lord." (2 Samuel 11:27)

When I kept silent, my bones wasted away through my groaning all day long. (Psalm 32:3)

For day and night Your hand was heavy on me; my strength was sapped as in the heat of summer. (Psalm 32:4)

God's frequent invitation for us is to fully surrender our sin so that we can fully follow Him and as a result have His peace.

_____ : pause and think about the Truth you just read

When We Are Done Trying To Hide Our Sin From God And Others:

1. _____

Then 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 forgave the guilt of my sin. (Psalm 32:5)

Confession Includes Acknowledging Our:

- a. Sin: the offense of breaking God's rules and falling short of what God would have wanted***
- b. Iniquity: a continued act of doing wrong as it becomes an escalating lifestyle***
- c. Transgressions: rebellion against God, knowing what God wants but doing the opposite***

2. _____

Repentance requires a change of mind concerning the sin, a change in behavior that results in a genuine willingness to forsake that sin, and a change of heart to resolve never to go back there again.



Repentance is resolving to do whatever it takes to go God’s way and it even involves putting measures in place for accountability so that we don’t continue to sin.

For sin shall no longer be your master, because you are not under the law, but under grace. (Romans 6:14)

“as far as the east is from the west, so far has He removed our transgressions from us.” (Psalm 103:12)

3. We will still have to face the _____ of our sin

Blessed is the one whose transgressions are forgiven, whose sins are covered. (Psalm 32:1)

Blessed is the one whose sin the Lord does not count against them and in whose spirit is no deceit. (Psalm 32:2)

4. _____ to help bring healing from our sin

Therefore confess your sins to each other and pray for each other so that you may be healed. (James 5:16)

I will instruct you and teach you in the way you should go; I will counsel you with My loving eye on you. Do not be like the horse or the mule, which have no understanding but must be controlled by bit and bridle or they will not come to you. Rejoice in the Lord and be glad, you righteous; sing, all you who are upright in heart! (Psalm 32:8-9,11)

Bottom Line: *If we uncover our sin, God can cover our sin.*

Questions to reflect on this week or with others:

- 1. What do you hide from others and even from God?*
- 2. How is that affecting your fellowship with God, what He is trying to do in your life, and even your relationships with others?*
- 3. How can this prayer by David encourage you to step out into the light with God and others?*

Songs used in service: Battle Belongs (Phil Wickham), Bondade de Deus (David Quinlan), Redeemed (Big Daddy Weave), Lord, I Need You (Matt Maher)

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Any prayer requests?

Name _____ **Date:** _____ **Email:** _____

What can we be praying for you about?