



Psalm 51:1-12

¹ Have mercy on me, O God, according to your unfailing love; according to your great compassion blot out my transgressions. ² Wash away all my iniquity and cleanse me from my sin. ³ For I know my transgressions, and my sin is always before me. ⁴ Against you, you only, have I sinned and done what is evil in your sight, so that you are proved right when you speak and justified when you judge. ⁵ Surely I was sinful at birth, sinful from the time my mother conceived me. ⁶ Surely you desire truth in the inner parts; you teach me wisdom in the inmost place. ⁷ Cleanse me with hyssop, and I will be clean; wash me, and I will be whiter than snow. ⁸ Let me hear joy and gladness; let the bones you have crushed rejoice. ⁹ Hide your face from my sins and blot out all my iniquity. ¹⁰ Create in me a pure heart, O God, and renew a steadfast spirit within me. ¹¹ Do not cast me from your presence or take your Holy Spirit from me. ¹² Restore to me the joy of your salvation and grant me a willing spirit, to sustain me.

Notes of Hope

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LENTEN: THE KAIROS OF THE CROSS OBSERVE: WHAT HAVE WE DONE?!

The cross is a cosmic Kairos

David "My sin is always before me" (v. 3) - not usually!

We have an amazing ability to justify, rationalize & reclassify
and our culture helps us to do this!

We can observe our sin in the context of God's love. v.1

Observing Our Sin

An adolescent perspective: Sin is rule breaking.

Going Deeper

Shalom - Life as God intended.

Sins of commission - Vandalizing Shalom

Sins of omission - Refusal to build Shalom

James 4:17

Luke 12:47

Matthew 25:31-46

Sins of head and heart - Spoiling inner Shalom

Psalm 51:6 & 10

Matthew 5 & 6

Sins of conscience

Romans 14:23

No matter what our culture says sin still offends God. v.4

Good News: Because of the cross God forgives v. 7-9

and God empowers.