



THE JOY  
OF  
SALVATION

## **Psalm 51:1-12**

**1 Have mercy upon me, O God, according to thy lovingkindness: according unto the multitude of thy tender mercies blot out my transgressions.**

**2 Wash me thoroughly from mine iniquity, and cleanse me from my sin.**

**3 For I acknowledge my transgressions: and my sin is ever before me.**

**4 Against thee, thee only, have I sinned, and done this evil in thy sight: that thou mightest be justified when thou speakest, and be clear when thou judgest.**

## **Psalm 51:1-12 - continued**

**5 Behold, I was shapen in iniquity; and in sin did my mother conceive me.**

**6 Behold, thou desirest truth in the inward parts: and in the hidden part thou shalt 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 to hear joy and gladness; that the bones which thou hast broken may rejoice.**

**9 Hide thy face from my sins, and blot out all mine iniquities.**

## **Psalm 51:1-12 - continued**

**10 Create in me a clean heart, O God; and renew a right spirit within me.**

**11 Cast me not away from thy presence; and take not thy holy spirit from me.**

**12 Restore unto me the joy of thy salvation; and uphold me with thy free spirit.**

# Introduction

## A. A Psalm of Confession

1. A view of a man getting right with God
2. The baring of a man's heart after failure

## B. It Is Also A Psalm Of The King

1. David is the leader
2. We should identify with this psalm, because we fail

**Proverbs 24:16**

**For a just man falleth seven times, and riseth up again:  
but the wicked shall fall into mischief.**

# **I. David Had Known The Joy Of Salvation**

**A. “Restore” indicates he has possessed it before**

**B. This truth is revealed in other Psalms**

**1. The joy of salvation is expressed in perspective  
Psalm 9:1**

**I will praise thee, O LORD, with my whole heart; I will shew forth all thy marvellous works.**

**2. The joy of salvation is experienced in power  
Psalm 21:1**

**The king shall joy in thy strength, O LORD; and in thy salvation how greatly shall he rejoice!**

# **I. David Had Known The Joy Of Salvation**

**B. This truth is revealed in other Psalms - continued**

**3. The joy of salvation is experience in peace**

**Psalm 23:5**

**Thou preparest a table before me in the presence of mine enemies: thou anointest my head with oil; my cup runneth over.**

**4. The joy of salvation is expressed in proclamation**

**Psalm 34:1**

**I will bless the LORD at all times: his praise shall continually be in my mouth.**

# **I. David Had Known The Joy Of Salvation**

**C. There is a good reason for this joy**

- 1. The joy of forgiveness**
- 2. The joy of assurance of heaven**
- 3. The joy of finding the answer to life**

**D. This joy is available to you through the Gospel**

**Romans 5:11**

**And not only so, but we also joy in God through our Lord Jesus Christ, by whom we have now received the atonement.**

**John 15:11**

**These things have I spoken unto you, that my joy might remain in you, and that your joy might be full.**



## **II. David Had Lost The Joy Of His Salvation**

**A. “Restore” indicates that he does not have it right now**

**B. David has a lot of company**

**Jeremiah 23:33**

**And when this people, or the prophet, or a priest, shall ask thee, saying, What is the burden of the Lord? thou shalt then say unto them, What burden? I will even forsake you, saith the Lord.**

**C. David and the story of his sin**

# **III. David Longed To Have The Joy Of His Salvation Restored**

**A. “Restore” was part of his prayer to get back what he had lost**

**B. David prays for his joy to come back again**

**Luke 15:7**

**I say unto you, that likewise joy shall be in heaven over one sinner that repenteth, more than over ninety and nine just persons, which need no repentance.**

**C. What is the road back?**

- 1. It is the road of remembering**
- 2. It is the road of confession**
- 3. It is the road of faith**

**Do you long for that joy again?**

## **Psalm 32:1-2**

**1 Blessed is he whose transgression is forgiven, whose sin is covered.**

**2 Blessed is the man unto whom the LORD imputeth not iniquity, and in whose spirit there is no guile.**

**Be Restored Today**