

“Rejoicing Bones”

(Psalm 51:7-8)

INTRODUCTION: *The weight of a guilty conscience...*

I. KING DAVID’S GUILTY CONSCIENCE

WAS WELL DESERVED (2 Samuel 11; Psalm 51)

- A. He had broken the 10th commandment:
You shall not covet another man’s wife
- B. He had broken the 6th commandment: *You shall not commit adultery*
- C. He had broken the 5th commandment: *You shall not kill*

II. DAVID TELLS US HOW HEAVY WAS HIS GUILTY CONSCIENCE

- A. *My bones wasted away; LORD Your hand was heavy upon me*
(Psalm 32)
- B. Nathan the prophet (David’s Pastor) confronted him (2 Samuel 12)
- C. *I acknowledged my sins & confessed my transgressions...*
(Psalm 32)



III. DAVID’S FORGIVEN SIN REMOVED THE CRUSHING WEIGHT OF SIN & GUILT

- A. *And You, O lord, You forgave the iniquity of my sin* (Psalm 32)
- B. *My ‘broken bones’ now rejoice!!* (Psalm 51)
- C. In Jesus Christ the weight of our sin & guilt is removed (John 3:17)
- D. We are cleaned & freed through God’s washing
 1. *Purge me with hyssop & I shall be clean, wash me & I shall be whiter than snow* (Psalm 51)
 2. Baptism is our hyssop & washing...
 3. Absolution is our hyssop & washing...

CONCLUSION: *Washed & forgiven we also have rejoicing bones!*