David: A Man After God's Heart

"The Freedom Of Forgiveness Psalm 32 & 51

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Introduction: We have been working our way through the life of David, one of Israel's great heroes!

- 1. Mainly, this has been a very positive study. David isn't perfect, but he is a man after God's heart.
- 2. That's why our recent studies have been so shocking. You would not expect this from David.
- 3. We learned some powerful lessons in the past 2 weeks of our study.
- 4. Today we will focus on what it was like to be David at this time.
 - Outwardly he looked fine.
 - Inwardly he was in pain.
 - There was only one solution.
 - Forgiveness.
- 5. God had to expose David's sin before he would repent.
- 6. That stubbornness and pride prolonged his pain.
- 7. This morning we will focus on the freedom of forgiveness available in Christ.
- I. The Need For Forgiveness
 - A. Conviction/Guilt
 - B. Physically Drained
 - C. Lost Joy
 - D. Separation From God

- II. The Basis For Forgiveness
 - A. God's Loving Kindness
 - B. God's Great Compassion
- III. The Fruit Of Forgiveness
 - A. Purification/Cleansing
 - B. Restoration

Conclusion: For months, David covered his sin.

- 1. It wasn't apparent, but the coverup was costing him dearly.
- 2. There was only one answer, and this remains true today.
- 3. When David sought forgiveness, he found freedom.
- 4. If you find yourself in bondage today, take a lesson from David. Seek God's forgiveness and find the freedom only He can offer!