

Psalm 32

Only the Forgiven are Truly Happy

Psalm 32 can be classified as a "penitential psalm" similar to Psalm 6; 38; 51; 130; 143. Perhaps this song was written by David after confession and forgiveness of his sin with Bathsheba as he experiences the happiness in being forgiven.

Pray, asking God to reveal something new to you as you read the psalm. Then read through Psalm 32 twice.

Observe in the psalm the sequence: sin, repentance, confession, forgiveness.

Notice in this psalm that when God covered sin it is blotted out (1); when man covers sin he is sinfully hiding it (5).

What did the author do to receive forgiveness?

What indication in this psalm do you have that the godly are not expected to be sinless?

Who is the psalmist addressing in verses 6-7? Based on the theme of the psalm, what 'trouble' is God protecting the godly from?

What sin do I need to confess?

Take time to thank the Lord for His mercy and forgiveness. List at least five sins He has covered with His blood for you.