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Psalm 51

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Psalm 51:1-19 (ESV)

**Have mercy on me, O God,
according to your steadfast love;
according to your abundant mercy
blot out my transgressions.**

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

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³ For I know my transgressions,
and my sin is ever before me.

⁴ Against you, you only, have I sinned
and done what is evil in your sight,
so that you may be justified in your words
and blameless in your judgment.

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⁵ Behold, I was brought forth in iniquity,
and in sin did my mother conceive me.

⁶ Behold, you delight in truth in the inward
being, and you teach me wisdom in the secret
heart.

⁷ Purge me with hyssop, and I shall be clean;

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wash me, and I shall be whiter than snow.

⁸ Let me hear joy and gladness;
let the bones that you have broken rejoice.

⁹ Hide your face from my sins,
and blot out all my iniquities.

¹⁰ Create in me a clean heart, O God,

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and renew a right spirit within me.

¹¹ Cast me not away from your presence,
and take not your Holy Spirit from me.

¹² Restore to me the joy of your salvation,
and uphold me with a willing spirit.

¹³ Then I will teach transgressors your ways,

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and sinners will return to you.

¹⁴ Deliver me from bloodguiltiness, O God,
O God of my salvation,
and my tongue will sing aloud of your
righteousness.

¹⁵ O Lord, open my lips, and my mouth will

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declare your praise.

¹⁶ For you will not delight in sacrifice, or I would give it; you will not be pleased with a burnt offering.

¹⁷ The sacrifices of God are a broken spirit; a broken and contrite heart, O God, you will not despise.

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¹⁸ Do good to Zion in your good pleasure;
build up the walls of Jerusalem;
¹⁹ then will you delight in right sacrifices,
in burnt offerings and whole burnt offerings;
then bulls will be offered on your altar.

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David's Response

- A. David goes straight to the Lord
- B. David sees sin for what it is – rebellion against God Himself
 - i. He doesn't want rehabilitation, but cleansing
 - ii. He doesn't make excuses for his sins

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David's Plea

A. David's plea to God's righteousness

i. Only God can qualify a sinner to stand in his presence

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B. David's plea to Christ's sacrifice

- i. David knew that these requests would have to cost God personally
- ii. Salvation is a gift granted by God's "good pleasure," never in response to what we have done.

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