

Communion Meditation – Psalm 32

Psalm 32.1

Tremendous Blessing

July 22nd, 2012

vs 1 ~ “**Blessed is he whose transgression is forgiven, whose sin is covered**”

- These two phrases are synonymous ~ but they are also different . . .
 - Though they mean the same thing ~ they are not exactly the same thing
 - The first “**transgression is forgiven**” describes a state of the sin
 - The second “**sin is covered**” describes the means to that state . . .
- To cover over something is different than eliminating it
 - Ill: Provide examples (*e.g., repainting walls, cleaning carpets*)
 - Bible speaks of forgiving, cleansing, covering over, blotting out
 - Isaiah had his sin “**purged**” by the hot coal
 - But these are only with regards to the individual / the sin still exists
 - The sin really happened / it can never unhappen
 - We may remove the visibility of something / but never the reality of it
- How are our sins covered? / First let’s see how they’re not . . .
 - **Prov 28.13** ~ “**He who covers his sins will not prosper, But whoever confesses and forsakes them will have mercy.**”
 - So we cannot cover over our own sins / (*deny, minimize, excuse*)
 - All sins are ultimately against God / Only God can forgive them
 - **Ps 85.2** ~ “**LORD, . . . You have forgiven the iniquity of Your people; You have covered all their sin.**”
 - Jesus was castigated for saying He forgave people of sin . . .
 - This is because by doing so, He equated Himself with God . . .

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- Sin separates man from God / God is holy ~ “set apart” from sinful man
 - We are born into sin and remain sinful throughout our lives
 - But those whose sins are “**covered**” are blessed

If your sins are forgiven ~ If God has covered them over ~ You are blessed
All other material goods, accomplishments or pleasures are as nothing by comparison
All other disappointment, pain or suffering, tragedies even are also as nothing . . .
Reconciliation with God ~ Being cleansed of sin and adopted by God
is the greatest thing BY FAR that can happen to anyone on earth . . .