

THE FREEDOM OF FORGIVENESS

Psalm 32

- The LORD's forgiveness → our happiness (vss. 1-2).

Transgression = rebellion/disloyalty

Sin = missing the mark

Iniquity = a crooked act

Deceit = insincerity/cunning

- To the LORD we acknowledge, “not” cover and confess our sin (vs. 5). He forgives, covers and “does not” account it to us (vss. 1-2).
- The LORD is both hiding place and guide (vss. 6-9).
- In the LORD we trust (vs. 10).
- In the LORD we rejoice (vs. 11).

Quotes from W. Graham Scroggie:

God is swifter to forgive than we are to confess. (Vs. 5)

With forgiveness comes security. (Vs. 6)

Though not “exempt” from trouble, (the pardoned man) is “preserved” through it, that is, not overwhelmed. (Vs. 7)

Forgiveness received is forgiveness given.

Discuss with another the impact of unconfessed sin in your life (32:3-4).

Read Matthew 6:9-15; Colossians 3:11-13. How does forgiving others point to the coming of the kingdom? Where is it hard for you to bear with/forgive? Pray for each other.