



“Your sins are forgiven.”
- Luke 7:48

Psalm 50 (51)

Part 3 - A Request for Mercy

Review

1. How did David characterize his sin?

1. Iniquity - going astray
2. Sin - missing the mark
3. Evil - crossing the boundary

2. My role in repentance

1. Acknowledge my iniquity
2. My sin is against God
3. Confess God's just judgment

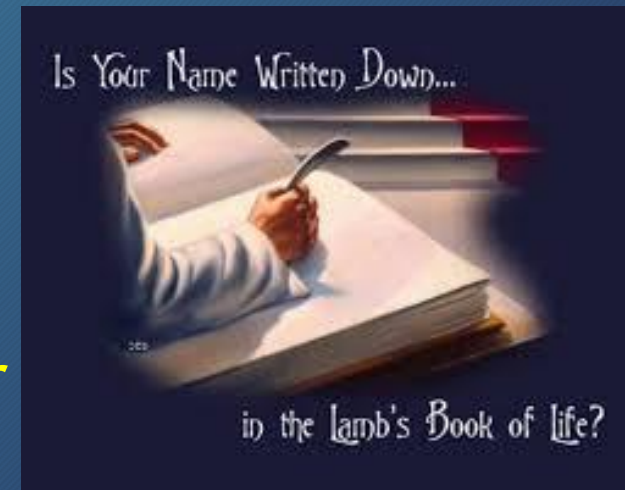
What do we need from God?

1. Mercy

- “Have mercy upon me, O God, according to your great mercy...”
- Forgiveness is only according to God’s mercy
- “But God, who is rich in mercy, because of His great love with which He loved us...” (Eph. 2:4)
- We need God’s mercy to...

A. Blot out my transgressions

- “Blot out my transgressions.” (Ps. 51:1)
- All of our sins are recorded in our book
- “And I saw the dead, small and great, standing before God, and books were opened. And another book was opened, which is the Book of Life. And the dead were judged according to their works, by the things which were written in the books.” (Rev. 20:12)



A. Blot out my transgressions

- Even the sin we commit unknowingly
 - Ignorance is not an excuse
- “He will again have compassion on us, And will subdue our iniquities. You will cast all our sins into the depths of the sea.” (Mic. 7:19)
- “For I will be merciful to their unrighteousness, and their sins and their lawless deeds I will remember no more.” (Heb. 8:12)

B. Cleanse me from my sin

- “Cleanse me from my sin.” (Ps. 51:2)
- Ex: Cleansing in the Temple
- How does God cleanse us?
 - His precious Blood
 - “These are the ones who come out of the great tribulation, and washed their robes and made them white in the blood of the Lamb.” (Rev. 7:14)
 - “Though your sins are like scarlet, They shall be as white as snow; Though they are red like crimson, They shall be as wool.” (Is. 1:18)



c. Purify me

- “Wash me thoroughly from my iniquity.”
(Ps. 51:2)
- Purification of a leper
- Leper was isolated from the community

Summary

Relationships	Corruption	Remedy
God	Evil	“Blot out”
Self	Iniquity	“Cleanse me”
Others	Sin	“Purify me”