LESSONS THIS QUARTER

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<td>1 A Psalm of David. A Maskil. How blessed is he whose transgression is forgiven, whose sin is covered! 2 How blessed is the man to whom the LORD does not impute iniquity, and in whose spirit there is no deceit!</td>
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<td>Psalm 32:3-4</td>
<td>3 When I kept silent about my sin, my body wasted away Through my groaning all day long. 4 For day and night Your hand was heavy upon me; My vitality was drained away as with the fever heat of summer. Selah.</td>
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<td>Psalm 32:5-6</td>
<td>5 I acknowledged my sin to You, and my iniquity I did not hide; I said, &quot;I will confess my transgressions to the LORD&quot;, And You forgave the guilt of my sin. Selah. 6 Therefore, let everyone who is godly pray to You in a time when You may be found; Surely in a flood of great waters they will not reach him.</td>
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INTRODUCTION

- God is gracious to forgive the most horrendous sins, but there are frequently temporal consequences. Yet, we can still rejoice, find hope, and reason to shout for joy!
- Psalm 32 chronologically follows Psalm 51 (last week’s lesson). After confessing his sins of adultery, murder, deception, King David shares what he had learned to keep others from similar actions and some temporal consequences.
- David paid a high price for his sin, but the cost would have been higher if he had not repented.
- Psalm 32 presents 2 powerful lessons: 1) Stay faithful; and 2) Help others stay faithful.

CONCLUSION / APPLICATIONS / CONSIDERATIONS

- Who makes better Bible teachers – Those who have a horrid sinful past or those who avoided such sins? Remember – Jesus didn’t sin once, yet He taught and ministered effectively to sinners of all types: alcoholics, adulterers, prostitutes, thieves, murderers.
- And God is also able to use the “chiefest of all sinners,” Paul

NEXT WEEK: Psalm 141. Believers should seek refuge in God because He is the only one who can give them bodily, mental, and spiritual strength to stand against Satan and resist temptation.

STUBBORN MULE

- The Israelites are stubborn, like a stubborn heifer. How then can the LORD pasture them like lambs in a meadow? – Hosea 4:16

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