

## Reasons to Praise

He gives us every reason to praise and live for Him.

Remember this:

The platform of praise is obedience (Proverbs 28:4)

As with the words that describes missing the mark with God they're a handful of words used to describe what it means to praise God.

Let's talk about how the Bible speaks of what happens when we sin.

He uses several WORDS to describe our sin in Psalm 51. Words like iniquity, transgressions (trespass), and sin, and in Psalm 32, God gives us another word, guile. All these are speaking of sin, just at different angles... and I wanted to take a minute to explain them in a way that will help you see how God sees them.

### **TRANSGRESSION = WHAT we did.**

(The LITERAL act of trespassing, what we did when we crossed the boundary that God gave us. The word picture is that of "spreading the legs" as in intentionally and knowingly "crossing" a known line.)

### **INIQUITY = WHY we did it.**

(The wickedness in us that motivated and moved us to act upon our own self-centered ways and neglect the clear boundaries that God gave.)

### **GUILE = HOW we did it.**

(We deceitfully crossed the line to meet our own selfish needs without being noticed or caught. Therefore, not only did the wickedness within us move us to take what was not ours but it misguided us to do it with deception or guile. )

### **SIN = WHAT we didn't do.**

(What did we not do, when we acted wickedly and deceptively? We didn't glorify God with our

thoughts or our actions and therefore, we missed the mark with the Lord. SIN simply means missing the mark... and it speaks more of what we didn't do than what we did.)

### **REPENTANCE = What we do.**

(When we trust the Lord in repentance, what we do is glorify Him and His ways. Repentance is an act of faith obedience that trusts the Lord that involves turning to Him and His ways and turning from the self-centered reliance and actions that lead us to miss the mark with Him. And because grace and repentance are part of the perfect will of God, we glorify Him through repenting. When we do not repent of a known transgression, and attempt to cover it up ourselves, we add sin to sin instead of glorifying Him and His delight to forgive, cleanse and pardon our iniquity.

Take a minute and read Psalm 32 and 51... and may you and I come to the conclusion, as King David did, that also we need these blotted out, washed, and cleansed through the blood of the Lamb. Thank You, Jesus!!!

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Who then are we praising?

"They that forsake the law God has given automatically praise the wicked... but they that give themselves to purposely and practically walk with Him and His word contend with a wrong world around them" (Proverbs 28:4).

### **Psalms 9:1-2, 11-12**

God keeps a record. (Malachi 3:16; Jeremiah 8:6; Psalms 56:8) "Sing praises to the Lord, who dwells in Zion! Declare His deeds among the people. When He avenges blood, He remembers them; He does not forget the cry of the humble." Psalms 9:11-12

### **Psalms 45:1,17/145:1-7**

Our hearts/cups/lives should overflow with a good theme — our tongue should be like the pen of a ready writer — making your name to be remembered — Isaiah 53:8 /Acts 8:33 — great is the Lord, and He shall be greatly praised. One generation shall praise and declare His works and mighty acts. (psalm 48:1,14; Isaiah 22)

## **Psalms 32:7**

to encourage the saints (the excellent ones on the earth, as opposed to the fools Psalms 53 and Psalm 14 (psalms 16:3; Psalms 142:7))

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#psalms145 #proverbs28and4 #praise #sin #faith #grace #reasonstopraise #platformofobedience  
#obedience #faithobedience #repentance #addingsintosin #Malachi3 #record #legitimacy  
#legitimizinglies #false #crooked #destructive #mansway #Godsway