

# DAVID

The Prayers of the King

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Episode 5: True Repentance  
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Psalm 51, 86

1. What is David praying for in this psalm?
  
  
  
  
  
2. Upon what does David base his appeal for God's forgiveness?
  
  
  
  
  
3. What was David's attitude toward his sin? (51:3-5)
  
  
  
  
  
4. How does David describe the extent of his guilt and sinfulness?
  
  
  
  
  
5. What does God desire of David?
  
  
  
  
  
6. In praying for forgiveness, what does David mean when he asks God to purge *him with hyssop*?

7. In praying for restoration, what things does he ask God to do or not do? (51:7-12)
8. How would the psalm writer's own experience of God's forgiveness affect others? (51:13)
9. What did the psalm writer expect to be the outcome of God's forgiveness? (51:13-15)
10. What two things does David promise to do when forgiven? (51:13-15)
11. What does God desire more than a burnt offering? (51:16-17)
12. For what does David pray as he concludes this psalm? (51:18-19)
13. What does this psalm tell us about God's character?

14. How should we respond to our sin and God's forgiveness?

15. What do you think it means to have a broken and contrite heart?

16. How do you need to change your own attitude toward your sin and God's gift of forgiveness to you?

17. What can you do to cultivate a broken and contrite heart before God?

18. In what specific ways is David a role model for us?

19. How would you like your relationship with God to be like David's?

20. What did David mean when he asked the Lord to give him an undivided heart? (Psalm 86)

21. What is one thing in your life that takes your focus off of the Lord? (Psalm 86)

22. How did David want the Lord to work in his life? (Psalm 86:11)