

“The Most Excellent Way”

Attitude of Victorious Living: “Humility”

“Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.” Matthew 5:3

I admit I am powerless over the affects of drugs and alcohol, and self-centered behavior — My life is unmanageable.

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Psalm 32:1-11

It is a great blessing when people are forgiven for the wrongs they have done, when their sins are erased.

2 It is a great blessing when the Lord says they are not guilty, when they don't try to hide their sins.

3 Lord, I prayed to You again and again, but I did not talk about my sins. So I only became weaker and more miserable.

4 Every day you made life harder for me. I became like a dry land in the hot summertime.

Selah (contemplate this)

5 But then I decided to confess my sins to the Lord. I stopped hiding my guilt and told You about my sins. And You forgave them all!

Selah

6 That is why Your loyal followers pray to You while there is still time. Then when trouble rises like a flood, it will not reach them.

7 You are a hiding place for me. You protect me from my troubles. You surround me and protect me, so I sing about the way You saved me.

Selah

8 The Lord says, "I will teach you and guide you in the way you should live. I will watch over you and be your guide.

9 Don't be like a stupid horse or mule that will not come to you unless you put a bit in its mouth and pull it with reins."

10 Many pains will come to the wicked, but the Lord's faithful love will surround those who trust in Him.

11 Good people, rejoice and be very happy in the Lord. All you who want to do right, rejoice!
(Easy to Read Version)

David wrote Psalm 32. As King he had chosen to take another man's wife and it caused pain, heartache and death, for many around him. When David came to his senses about where his sin had taken him and how it, affected others, he got humble before God. David realized that his selfishness has taken him away from his King. He stopped loving God with all his heart and that brought serious consequences. When David got humble, then God met him. Here is a very important truth; the most important reason we should want victory over addiction, is for God's glory. It is in that truth a person really makes changes. Jesus is an equal opportunity Savior, so when you get humble, making God number one in your life, He gets busy on your behalf.

Psalm 51:14 & 17 14 God, spare me from the punishment of death. My God, you are the one who saves me! Let me sing about all the good things you do for me! 17 The sacrifice that God wants is a humble spirit. God, you will not turn away someone who comes with a humble heart and is willing to obey you. —ERV

“I believe every Christian person has a choice between being humble and being humbled... Let us be humble that we may not need to be humbled, but may be exalted by the grace of God.”

—C. H. Spurgeon

Hebrews 4:14-16: Therefore, since we have a great high priest who has passed through the heavens, Jesus the Son of God, let us hold fast our confession. 15 For we do not have a high priest who cannot sympathize with our weaknesses, but one who has been tempted in all things as we are, yet without sin. 16 Therefore let us draw near with confidence to the throne of grace, so that we may receive mercy and find grace to help in time of need. —NASB

“They that know God will be humble; they that know themselves cannot be proud.”

—John Flavel