

Freedom from the Shackles of Sin

PSALM 32:1-5



YOU CAN ENJOY FREEDOM THROUGH FORGIVENESS

By realizing three truths about sin:

I. A PRISON AWAITS YOU WHEN YOU ARE SILENT ABOUT YOUR SIN

(v. 3-4)

(The Misery of the man who covers his sin)

A. IN THE PRISON CELL OF SIN, THERE IS PHYSICAL MISERY (v. 3)

B. IN THE PRISON CELL OF SIN, THERE IS EMOTIONAL MISERY (v. 4)

II. A PARDON AWAITS YOU WHEN YOU ARE OPEN ABOUT YOUR SIN

(v. 5)

(The Forgiveness of the man who confesses his sin)

A. TAKE PERSONAL RESPONSIBILITY FOR YOUR SIN

(Take the blame)

B. DEAL WITH YOUR SINS ONE BY ONE

(Be specific)

C. CALL IT WHAT IT IS

(Don't redefine it, or use euphemisms)

III. PLEASURE AWAITS YOU WHEN YOU ARE FREE FROM YOUR SIN

(v. 1-2)

(The Happiness of the man who is cleared from his sin)

A. YOUR SIN IS "OFF YOUR SHOULDERS"

B. YOUR SIN IS "OUT OF SIGHT"

C. YOUR SIN IS "ERASED FROM THE BOOKS"

