

"COMING CLEAN"

Psalm 51, 32

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David's plunge into sins (2 Samuel 11)

David's merciful restoration (2 Samuel 12)

God's initiative and pursuit

God's motive

Activating God's mercy (Psalm 51)

Acknowledging it is one's only hope

Accompanied with genuine contrition

What is contrition?

How do you know when one is genuinely contrite?

Takes full responsibility

Doesn't minimize or blame others

Understands that it is primarily a sin against

God

God's merciful provision in Christ

The completeness of forgiveness

The assurance when we confess (1 John 1:9)

The Savior is waiting (Revelation 3:20)

Family Life Groups

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1. When we sin, why do we have a tendency to wait for a while (sometimes for a long time) before we confess our sin to God and are restored to fellowship with Him, even though we are miserable during that period of time?

2. What are some ways the Lord has gotten your attention when you have sinned against Him (or someone else)?

3. How can you keep your heart sensitive to the guilt and danger of sin so that your heart does not become hardened by sin's deceitfulness?

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