

The Christian's life Part 2

Based on Martyn Lloyd Jones book "Out of the Depths: Restoring Fellowship with God"

2 Samuel 11-12 and Psalm 51

Our relationship to God will _____ what is coming for every person.

This is why it is "the most important thing in this life is for us to know how to _____ God." (page 40)

Psalm 51 is a psalm of a sinner or a _____. David was guilty of adultery, murder, deceit, etc. He felt quite comfortable UNTIL God sent Nathan. He came face to face with his sin and _____.

"There is no need for uncertainty in your mind; it can be discovered quite easily. Let us never think of the Christian position as some vague, indefinite, nebulous thing somewhere up in the air. No, the Christian position is a very definite one; it is one of the most concrete things in life. Therefore, we can apply tests."

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A pattern and consistency would seem _____ as this is a work of the Holy Spirit.

There are things that should be part of the salvation experience, but you need not have the exact experience of a _____ in order to be saved.

"...repentance is in no sense dependent upon the type or the kind of sin which you have committed."

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YET, he writes in his hymn "Jesus Lover of my Soul"

"Just and holy is thy name, I am all unrighteousness; Vile and full of sin I am." _____

Another not guilty of David like sin writes in verse 3 of Rock of Ages:

"Nothing in my hands I bring, Simply to Thy cross I cling; Naked, come to Thee for dress, Helpless, look to Thee for grace: Foul, I to the fountain fly, Wash me, Savior, or I die." _____

Some see these differences and question differences in _____. (_____-born vs once-born)

He understands his sin is against God and understands that his actual nature is sinful (_____).

Lloyd Jones would call this "Sinner _____".

To go even further, some have said "I have never felt that great concern, born into a Christian family, gone to church, tried to do good, lend a helping hand". To this Martyn Lloyd Jones says, "I am not at all sure but to feel like that is just the _____ sin of all."

1 John 1:5-10

He will judge righteously and he has but one command:

"Love the Lord thy God with ____ thy heart, soul, mind and strength and your neighbor as yourself"

Luke 10:27

"Do we glorify God? Do we thank him day by day for his goodness mercy and graciousness to us? Do we ascribe praise and honor and glory to him? Is it our chief concern that he may be glorified more and more? Jesus Christ said that his greatest object in life was that the father might be glorified. Every man is called upon to do the same thing and not to do that is to be sinful" page 53

The second thing is to desire _____. "Have mercy on me O God"

This man is also aware (consciousness) of his utter helplessness. David could not quiet his own inner voice.

Look across your own life.

Are there certain things that you would like to erase? To blot out? To make go away? But we cannot in our power. These things can rob us of peace, of _____ and of quiet.

"Thou hast made us for _____ and our souls are restless, until they find their _____ in Thee"
- Augustine

A truly repentant man knows exactly what that means. _____ (vs self-confidence).

Lastly, the repentant man becomes a Christian and amazingly has a new _____ towards God.

We run and hide from _____ following sin. This again is the difference between remorse and repentance.

"The man who has not been dealt with by the Spirit of God and has not been convinced and convicted, tries to get away from God, to avoid him at all costs." Page 57

But it is extraordinary that the man who through the work of conviction by the Holy Spirit knows he has sinned against God, will honestly call out – "Be merciful to me O God".

He wants the One he has offended. He wants this because he knows only God can _____.

"The even more amazing thing is that this sinner who knows he has sinned against God and knows he is helpless to cleanse himself, knows that God has the _____ to remove the stain and guilt of his sin and he knows, wonder of wonder, God is ready and _____ to do it!" (page 58)

Sin is so horrible and so ___, God is the only one who could address this need in man. He did. In Christ.