



WBS Evening Table Talk Questions for March 10, 2010

The Heart's Cry for Repentance.....Psalm 51

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Ice Breaker:

Look at the inkblot pictures on your table and take turns describing what you see.

Question Set:

1. Define or describe the difference between confession and repentance. How does David demonstrate these in Psalm 51? When you consider the inward focus of repentance, why do you think it is such an important part of prayer? What is the goal of repentance (consider vs. 10-12)?

2. What is the difference between God covering man's sin (see Psalm 51:1b, 32:1, 85:2-3) and man covering their own sin (see Ps. 32:2-5)? If in Psalm 51:7 David writes, "*Purge me with hyssop, and I shall be clean*" and yet 1 John 1:7 says, "*...the blood of Jesus his Son cleanses us from all sin,*" what is the significance or connection between hyssop and the blood of Jesus (consider Hebrews 9:19-24 and 10:19-22)? If we have already been forgiven of past, present, and future sins because of what Jesus did on the cross for us, why should we still bring our transgressions before God?

3. Though it may be painful and difficult to do at times, confessing and repenting of our sins is beneficial for us in many ways. According to Psalm 25:4-15 what can we learn from our sins? What can we learn about ourselves? About God? Pray for your each other to have a teachable spirit when confronted with sin.