Sermon Title: COME CLEAN

Date: August 10, 2025 - Psalm 32

Central Idea: The happiest people in the world are those who are forgiven. Are you one of those people?

Introduction: Psalm 32 is a song of joy. It starts with "How joyful is the one whose transgression is forgiven..." and finishes with "Be glad in the Lord and rejoice...." It is not hard to find the reason for David's joy. He has done something he ought not to have done and having accepted full responsibility for his actions and repented fully of them, he knows he has been forgiven. There is nothing like forgiveness for making the heart sing and the soul rejoice!

I. Varieties of Sin Psalm 32:1-2

- 1. Transgression
- 2. Sin
- 3. Iniquity
- 4. Deceit
- II. Sin Is Covered vv. 1-2
- III. The Heavy Hand vv. 3-5
- IV. Shouts of Deliverance vv. 6-7
- V. Follow Instructions vv. 8-9
- VI. Mercy Surrounds Him vv. 10-11

Conclusion:

"Bitterness and harshness do not belong in the forgiven heart. Love and joy and forgiveness flourish there. In your experience of the forgiveness of God, learn to forgive the boss who abused your willing spirit, the church that failed to meet your expectations, the spouse who hurt you, and the kids who disgraced you. God forgave you, didn't He?"

(Briscoe, Stuart. What Works When Life Doesn't. Victor Books, p. 99.)