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## From Shattered to Forgiven Part 2

Psalm 51 // Todd Dugard

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*God's forgiveness will be mine when I...*

*...appeal to his mercy (v. 1-2)*

*...fully confess my sin (v. 3-6)*

*...ask him to restore what was lost (v. 7-12)*

*...and lead others to holy living (v. 13-19)*

### GROUP STUDY QUESTIONS

- When David petitions God based on his character, it means David appeals to who God is—his nature, attributes, and promises—rather than David's own merits or circumstances.
  - When was the last time you began a prayer acknowledging God in this way?
  - Discuss the implications this has for both David and for us.
- In David's psalm, he employs three distinct terms—transgression, iniquity, and sin—to fully acknowledge and take responsibility for his actions.
  - Why do we often find it challenging to acknowledge and confess our own sinful actions in this way?
  - How can we follow David's example in Psalm 51 as we begin or continue confessing our sins?
  - Create an accountability plan.
- How does objective morality (the belief that some actions are universally right or wrong) defend theism (belief in God) and challenge relativism (which denies any absolute, objective truth)?
- No one is beyond the reach of God's mercy, nor is anyone free from the need for it.
  - What do you need God's mercy for this week? How can you be praying for each other?