

**THE SERMON ON THE MOUNTAIN
MESSAGE #3 - BROKEN
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Matthew 19.30 *But many who are the greatest now will be least important then, and those who seem least important now will be the greatest then.*

Luke 22.26 *But among you it will be different. Those who are the greatest among you should take the lowest rank, and the leader should be like a servant.*

Mark 10.43-45 *But among you it will be different. Whoever wants to be a leader among you must be your servant, 44 and whoever wants to be first among you must be the slave of everyone else. 45 For even the Son of Man came not to be served but to serve others and to give his life as a ransom for many.*

JESUS SAID THAT SPIRITUAL BANKRUPTCY IS A GOOD THING.

Matthew 5.4 *God blesses those who mourn, for they will be comforted.*

PEOPLE WHO ARE GENUINELY SAVED ARE BOTHERED BY THEIR SIN.

2 Corinthians 5.17 *This means that anyone who belongs to Christ has become a new person. The old life is gone; a new life has begun!*

The effects of sin are:

- At the root of every heated argument is *sin*.
- Abuse in any form is *sin*.
- The misuse of sexual expression outside of the marriage between a man and woman is *sin*.
- Lying to cover up, protect self, or shield embarrassment is *sin*.

DEF REPENTANCE: Means to turn around. Stop and go the other way.

- When we sin, it does not bring us joy but rather contempt.
- One characteristic of the mature is not SINLESSNESS but the AWARENESS of sin.

**UNBRIDLED LUST CAN LEAD TO A COMPROMISED CONSCIENCE AND THEN
TO SINCERE MOURNING, SORROW, AND GRIEF.**

These words are true:

- Sin will take you farther than you wanted to go.
- It will keep you longer than you wanted to stay.
- And it will cost you more than you wanted to pay.

2 Samuel 12.13 *Then David confessed to Nathan, “I have sinned against the LORD.” Nathan replied, “Yes, but the LORD has forgiven you, and you won’t die for this sin.*

Psalms 51.3 *For I recognize my rebellion; it taunts me day and night.*

Psalms 51.10-12 *Create in me a clean heart, O God. Renew a loyal spirit within me. 11 Do not banish me from Your presence, and don’t take Your Holy Spirit from me. 12 Restore to me the joy of Your salvation and make me willing to obey You.*

2 Corinthians 1.3 *All praise to God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ. God is our merciful Father and the source of all comfort.*

TWO QUESTIONS AND A STATEMENT

1. Do you have any sin to confess? Don’t procrastinate.
2. Is living for Jesus your highest honor? Don’t stop.
3. The troubled conscience due to sin is one confessional conversation away with the God of all comfort. On the other side of any humble confession is restored JOY.

Patient Heavenly Father, I have relied on my self-righteousness far too long. I’ve manipulated instead of being authentic. I’ve made cagy attempts to hide the real me before You due to my insecurities. I’m done with hiding and covering it all up with a mask. Today, I want to come clean before you with a humble attitude. Jesus, you are the King of my life therefore, I submit to your Lordship over me. Be purified - Wash me Give me back my joy—Remove the stain of my guilt - Create a clean heart in me - Renew a loyal spirit in me. In Jesus’ Holy and Purifying Name. AMEN.