

# 1 & 2 Samuel Series

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THE BATTLE IS THE LORD'S  
CLEANSING FROM SIN

2 SAMUEL 12:7–13; PSALM 51:5–12



- 1. Review of Nathan's confrontation and David's response.**
- 2. What is the connection between Psa. 51 to David's confession in 2 Samuel 12?**
- 3. David cries out to God for forgiveness, Psa. 51:1–6.**
- 4. David prays to God for forgiveness of sin and cleansing, Psa. 51:7–12.**
- 5. David expresses his vow to teach and praise God when God forgives him, Psa. 51:13–19.**



**3. David cries out to God and confesses his sin, Psa. 51:1–6.**

**Psa. 51:0, “To the Chief Musician.  
A Psalm of David**

**when Nathan the prophet went to him, after he had gone in to Bathsheba.”**



**Psa. 51:1, “Have mercy upon me, O God,  
According to Your lovingkindness;  
According to the multitude of Your tender  
mercies,  
Blot out my transgressions.**

**Psa. 51:2, “Wash me thoroughly from my  
iniquity,  
And cleanse me from my sin.”**

**Wash, Psa. 51:7  
Blot, Psa. 51:9  
Clean, Psa. 51:10**



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חַנּוּן *chanan*

qal imper masc sing  
“to show favor, be  
merciful, gracious,  
show me  
undeserved  
kindness”

מַחָה *machah qal*

imper masc sing  
to wipe out,  
eradicate, to  
completely  
remove



**Isa. 43:25, “I, even I, am He who blots out [totally erases] your transgressions for My own sake; And I will not remember your sins.”**



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“**Have mercy** upon me, O God,  
According to Your **lovingkindness**;  
According to the **multitude of Your**  
**tender mercies**,  
**Blot out my transgressions.**”

חֶסֶד *chesed*

comm masc sing constr  
lovingkindness; faithful,  
loyal love

רַחֲמִים *rachamim*

comm masc plur  
constr  
compassion



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**פְּשָׁעַי *pesha'* comm masc plur constr  
rebellious acts, transgression,  
willful rebellion against God**



**Psa. 32:3, “When I kept silent, my bones grew old through my groaning all the day long.**

**Psa. 32:4, “For day and night Your hand was heavy upon me; My vitality was turned into the drought of summer.”**



Psa. 51:2,

“**Wash** me thoroughly from my **iniquity**,  
and **cleans**e me from my **sin**.”

כבס *kabas*

piel imper masc sing  
to wash, to perform the  
work of a fuller,  
scrubbing out all of the  
dirt

טהר *tahar* piel

imper masc  
sing to be  
clean, purify



Psa. 51:2,

“**Wash** me thoroughly from my **iniquity**,  
and **cleans**e me from my **sin**.”

עָוֹן *'avon*

comm both sing  
constr to err, to  
go astray,  
iniquity

חַטָּאת *chata't*

comm fem sing  
constr to miss a  
goal, or a way



**Psa. 51:3,**

**“For I know my transgressions,  
And my sin is always before me.”**

**יָדַע *yada'* qal imperf 1 com sing to know**



**Psa. 32:5, “I acknowledged my sin to You, and my iniquity I have not hidden. I said, ‘I will confess my transgressions to the LORD,’ and You forgave the iniquity of my sin. Selah”**

**יָדָע *yada'***

**hifil imperf 1 com sing  
to know, hiphel, to  
inform, make known, to  
show, to let someone  
know something**



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goal, or a way

פְּשָׁעַי *pesha' comm*

masc plur constr  
rebellious acts,  
transgression, willful  
rebellion against  
God



**Psa. 51:4,**

**“Against You, You only, have I sinned, and done this evil in Your sight—**

**That You may be found just when You speak,**

**And blameless when You judge.”**

**חטא *chata'***

**qal perf 1 com sing to miss, sin, err**

**רע *ra'* masc sing**

**abs bad, evil;**

**evil is most often used for idolatry, or violating the *torah***

**צדק *tzaddiq* qal imperf**

**2 masc sing to be just**

**זכה *zakah* qal imperf**

**2 masc sing to be clean**



**Psa. 51:5,**

**“Behold, I was brought forth in iniquity,  
and in sin my mother conceived me.”**

**1-לִי *chiyl* polal perf**

**1 com sing to**

**writhe, travail, wait**

**יָחַם *yacham* VERB**

**piel perf 3 fem sing**

**to conceive**



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constr to miss a  
goal, or a way**

עָוֹן *'avon*

**comm both sing  
constr to err, to  
go astray,  
iniquity**



**Lev. 16:21, “Aaron shall lay both his hands on the head of the live goat, confess over it all the iniquities of the children of Israel, and all their transgressions, concerning all their sins, putting them on the head of the goat, and shall send it away into the wilderness by the hand of a suitable man.”**

עָוֹן *avon*

comm both  
sing constr to  
err, to go  
astray, iniquity

פְּשָׁעַי *pesha'*

comm masc plur  
constr  
rebellious acts,  
transgression,  
willful rebellion  
against God

חַטָּאת *chata't*

comm fem  
sing constr to  
miss a goal,  
or a way



**Ex. 34:7, “keeping mercy for thousands, forgiving iniquity and transgression and sin, by no means clearing the guilty, visiting the iniquity of the fathers upon the children and the children’s children to the third and the fourth generation.”**

**עָוֹן *‘avon***

**comm both  
sing constr to  
err, to go  
astray, iniquity**

**פְּשָׁעָה *pesha‘***

**comm masc plur  
constr  
rebellious acts,  
transgression,  
willful rebellion  
against God**

**חַטָּאת *chata’t***

**comm fem  
sing constr to  
miss a goal,  
or a way**



**Are we sinners because we sin?**

**Do we sin because we are sinners?**



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**David is saying he sinned because he was born a sinner, corrupted by Adam's sin.**



**Psa. 51:6,**

**“Behold, You desire truth in the inward parts,  
And in the hidden part You will make me to know wisdom.”**

**1 חפץ־qal *chaphetz qal***

**perf 2 masc sing  
to delight**

**ידע *yada'***

**hif imperf 2 masc  
sing to know**



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**אֱמֶת *emet* comm fem sing abs truth**

**חִכְמָה *chokmah* comm fem sing abs  
wisdom, skill**



**Psa. 51:7, “Purge me with hyssop, and I shall be clean; Wash me, and I shall be whiter than snow.**

**Psa. 51:8, “Make me hear joy and gladness, that the bones You have broken may rejoice.**

**Psa. 51:9, “Hide Your face from my sins, and blot out all my iniquities.”**



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**חָטָא *chata'***

**piel imperf 2  
masc sing  
take away  
my sin**

**טָהַר *tahar* piel**

**imper masc  
sing to be  
clean, purify  
cf., Ps. 51:2**

**כָּבַס *kabas***

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to wipe out,  
eradicate, to  
completely  
remove**

**עָוֹן ‘*avon*  
comm both  
sing constr to  
err, to go  
astray, iniquity**



**Psa. 51:10, “Create in me a clean heart, O God, and renew a steadfast spirit within me.”**

1־בִּרְאֵ1 *bara'*

**qal imper  
masc sing to  
create**



**Psa. 51:12, “Let me again experience the joy of your deliverance! Sustain me by giving me the desire to obey!” ~NET**

**Psa. 51:12, “Restore to me the joy of Your salvation and sustain me with a willing spirit.” ~NASB**