

Your Sins Will Find You Out

A Prophecy Against Babylon

13 An oracle concerning Babylon^a that Isaiah son of Amoz^b saw:

"Raise a banner^c on a bare hilltop,
shout to them,
to enter the gates^d of the nobles,
I have commanded my holy ones^e

12:2 The *Levi*, the *Levi*. See notes on Ex 3:15; 34:6–7; Dt 28:58. The *Levi*, *Levi*. See notes on Ex 15:22; a verse commemorating the defeat of the Egyptians at the Red Sea. See also Ps 118:14 and note.

12:3 wells. Perhaps an allusion to God's abundant provision of water for Israel during the desert wanderings (cf. Ex 15:25; 17:1–7; 17:9–14; 17:15–17; 17:18–20; 17:21–24; 17:25; 17:26–27). But here God's future saving act is itself the "well" from which Israel will draw life-giving water (see Ps 124:8; 135:7–10 and notes).

12:6 shout aloud and sing for joy. These two imperatives occur again in 54:1, where Zion rejoices over the restoration of her people. *Holy One of Israel*. See notes on 14:6; 1.

13:1–23:18 A series of prophecies against the nations (see also Jer 46–51; Eze 25–32; Am 1–2; Zep 2:4–15 and notes). They begin with Babylon (13:1–14:23) and Assyria (14:24–27) before moving on to smaller nations. God's judgment on his people does not mean that the pagan nations will be spared (see Jer 25:29). In fact, God's judgments on the nations are often a part of his salvation of his people (see, e.g., 10:12).

13:1–14:27 This prophecy concerns Babylon during the Assyrian empire rather than during the Neo-Babylonian empire. Thus the prophecy is actually against the Assyrian empire, the Babylon being its most important city. From 729 B.C. on, the kings of Assyria also assumed the title "king of Babylon." Note that there is no new "oracle" heading at 14:24, even though 14:24–27 clearly pertains to Assyria; so 13:1–14:27 forms a unit.

13:1 See note on 1:1. *oracle*. The Hebrew for this word is related to a Hebrew verb meaning "to lift up, carry" and is possibly to be understood as either lifting up one's voice or carrying a burden. Such an "oracle" often contains a message

of doom. *Babylon*. See 21:10–11; 21:9; 21:12; Mal 1:11; 1:11; 1:12; 1:13; 1:14; 1:15; 1:16; 1:17; 1:18; 1:19; 1:20; 1:21; 1:22; 1:23; 1:24; 1:25; 1:26; 1:27; 1:28; 1:29; 1:30; 1:31; 1:32; 1:33; 1:34; 1:35; 1:36; 1:37; 1:38; 1:39; 1:40; 1:41; 1:42; 1:43; 1:44; 1:45; 1:46; 1:47; 1:48; 1:49; 1:50; 1:51; 1:52; 1:53; 1:54; 1:55; 1:56; 1:57; 1:58; 1:59; 1:60; 1:61; 1:62; 1:63; 1:64; 1:65; 1:66; 1:67; 1:68; 1:69; 1:70; 1:71; 1:72; 1:73; 1:74; 1:75; 1:76; 1:77; 1:78; 1:79; 1:80; 1:81; 1:82; 1:83; 1:84; 1:85; 1:86; 1:87; 1:88; 1:89; 1:90; 1:91; 1:92; 1:93; 1:94; 1:95; 1:96; 1:97; 1:98; 1:99; 1:100; 1:101; 1:102; 1:103; 1:104; 1:105; 1:106; 1:107; 1:108; 1:109; 1:110; 1:111; 1:112; 1:113; 1:114; 1:115; 1:116; 1:117; 1:118; 1:119; 1:120; 1:121; 1:122; 1:123; 1:124; 1:125; 1:126; 1:127; 1:128; 1:129; 1:130; 1:131; 1:132; 1:133; 1:134; 1:135; 1:136; 1:137; 1:138; 1:139; 1:140; 1:141; 1:142; 1:143; 1:144; 1:145; 1:146; 1:147; 1:148; 1:149; 1:150; 1:151; 1:152; 1:153; 1:154; 1:155; 1:156; 1:157; 1:158; 1:159; 1:160; 1:161; 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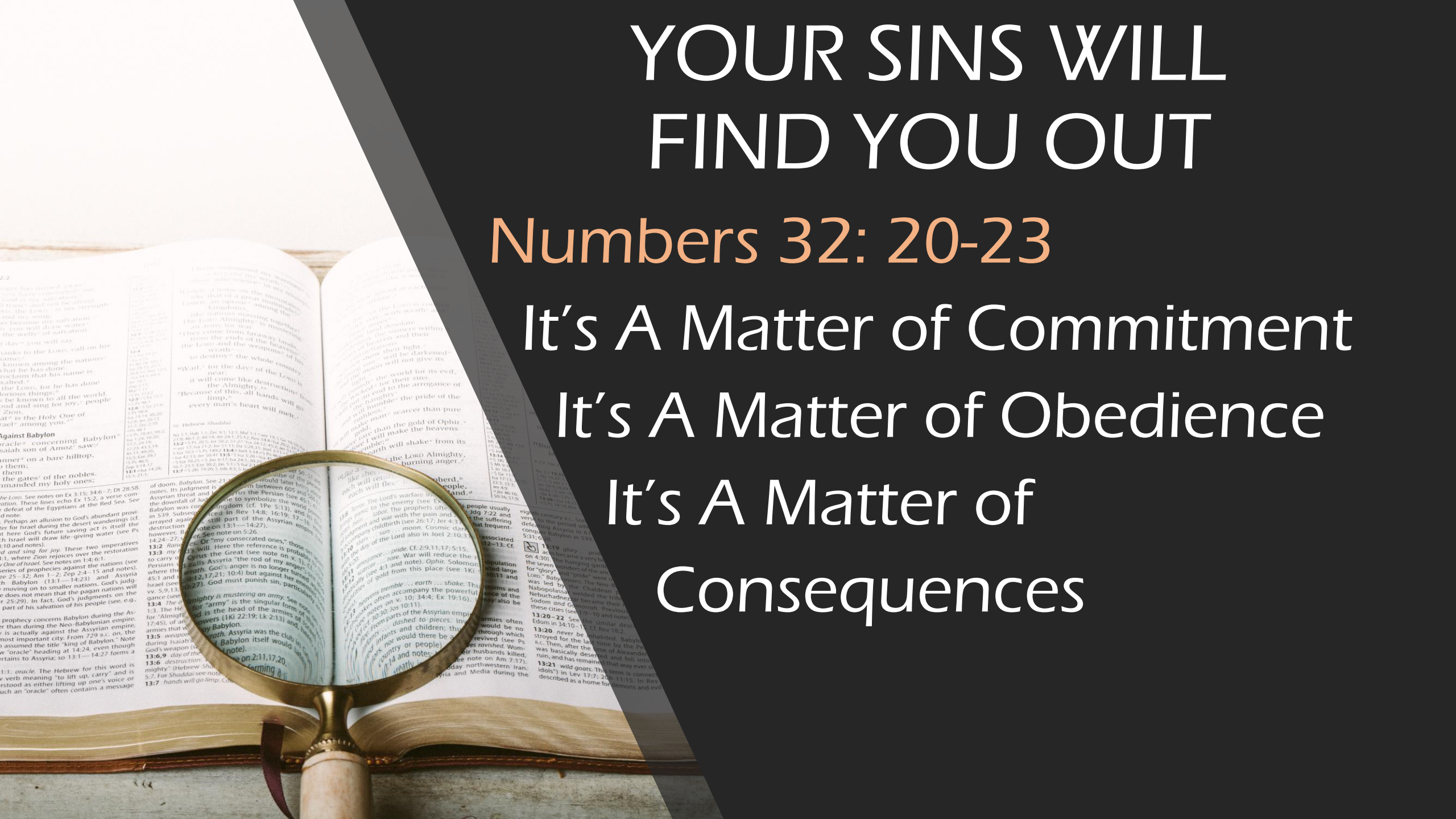
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It's A Matter of Commitment

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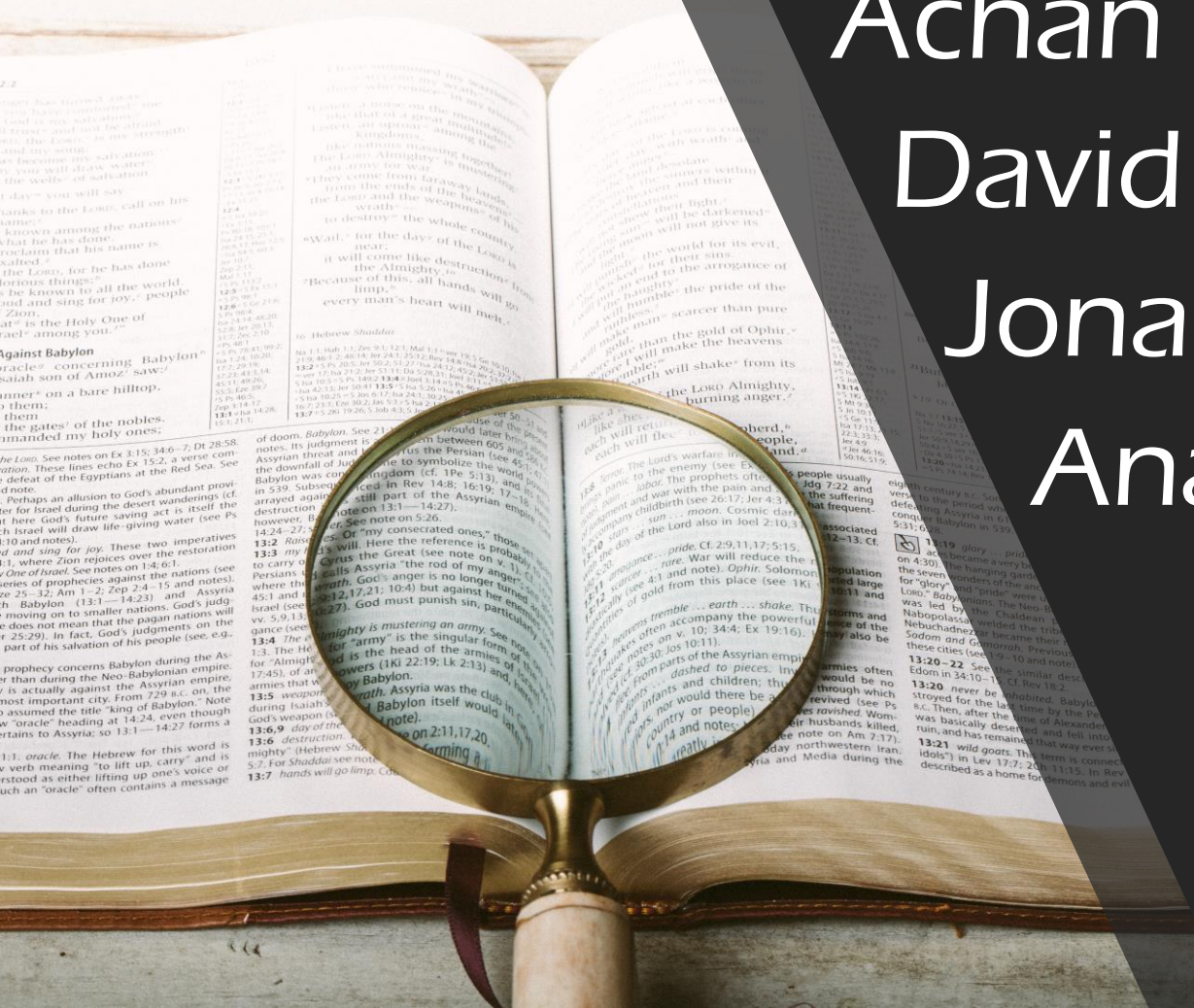
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WHERE SHALL I GO?

Psalm 139:1-12

Joseph's Brothers

Genesis 44:16

Moses's Prayer

Psalm 90:8

Paul's Admonition

Romans 2:6-11



WHERE SHALL I GO?

Psalm 139:13-24

Joseph's Brothers

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Isaiah 59:1-2 – *“Behold, the LORD’s hand is not shortened, that it cannot save, or his ear dull, that it cannot hear; but your iniquities have made a separation between you and your God, and your sins have hidden his face from you so that he does not hear.”*”



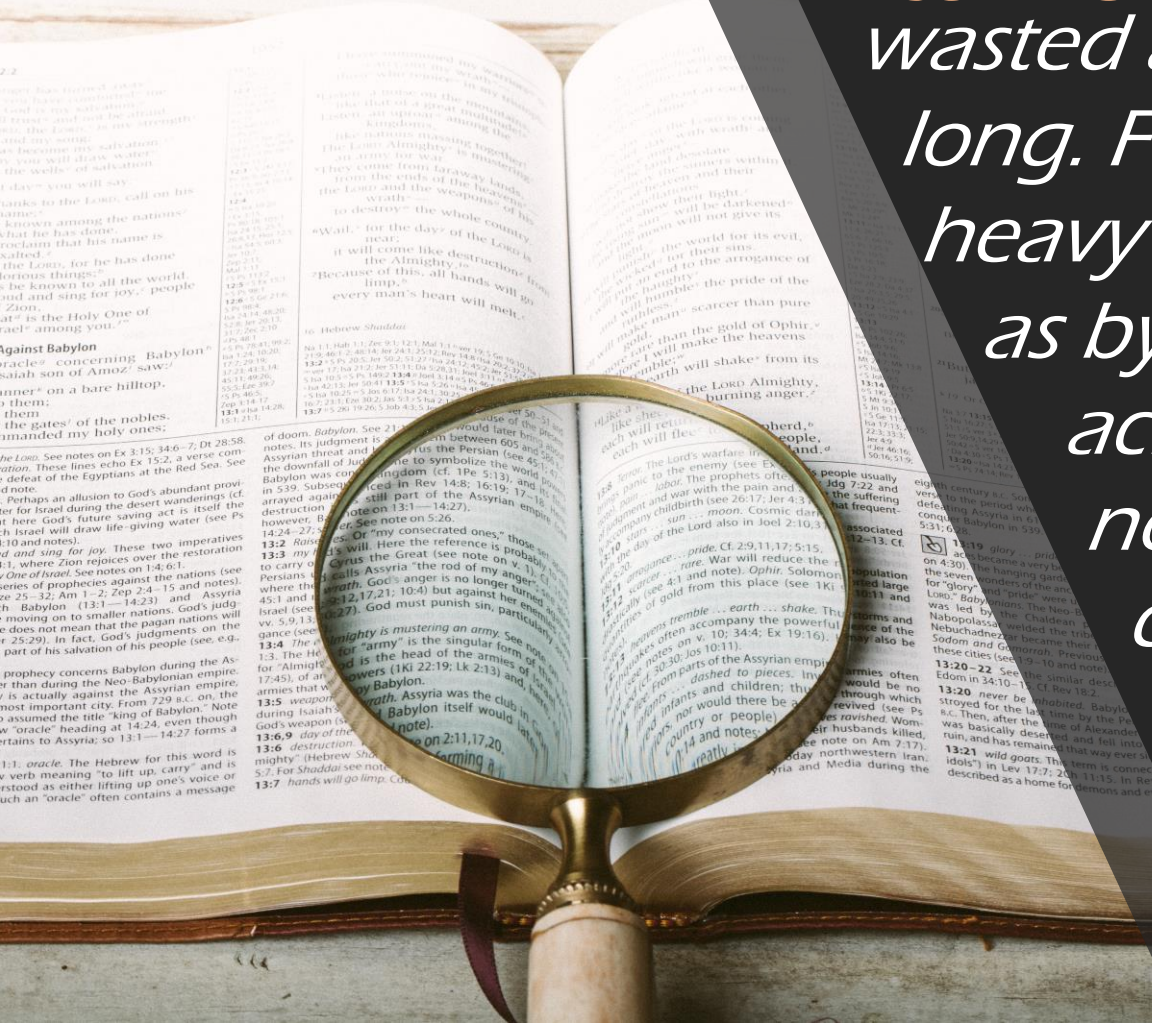
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1 John 2:1 – *“My little children, I am writing these things to you so that you may not sin. But if anyone does sin, we have an advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ the righteous.”*



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Psalm 32 – *“For when I kept silent, my bones wasted away through my groaning all day long. For day and night your hand was heavy upon me; my strength was dried up as by the heat of summer. I acknowledged my sin to you, and I did not cover my iniquity; I said, ‘I will confess my transgressions to the LORD,’ and you forgave the iniquity of my sin.”*



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James 5:16 – *“Therefore, confess your sins to one another and pray for one another, that you may be healed. The prayer of a righteous person has great power as it is working.”*

