

ONE GREAT BLESSING!

“Blessed is he whose transgressions are forgiven, whose sins are covered. Blessed is the man whose sin the Lord does not count against him and in whose spirit is no deceit.” (Ps.32:1-2 NIV)

This scripture is quoted by the apostle in the New Testament. (Ro.4:7-8) **What a tremendous blessing and peace to know that your sins, yours and mine, which are many, will never be counted against us at the final judgment.** It is clear from the Bible that it is appointed to men once to die and after that is the judgment. How can this great blessing be ours?

It is strange how we struggle and fight trying so hard to cover up our transgressions. **In the same Psalm, verses 3-5, we see a man weighed down with the knowledge of his sinfulness, yet trying to cover it, making excuses so that he can forget and not deal with his sins.** Finally, he “comes clean” and honestly admits all. What happens? God freely forgives all. I believe that is why “in whose spirit is no deceit” is mentioned above.

When we are without deceit, without guile, we are actually getting honest in our inward parts and are willing to admit our sinfulness to God. The Bible speaks of an honest and good heart. (Lu.8:15) This kind of heart will produce good fruit. A person without guile is not always making excuses and trying to deceive himself and others. He faces the truth squarely, admits he is guilty before God, and sets the stage for full forgiveness.

God can truly and fully forgive us because his Son, Jesus, took the penalty for our sins. **As we honestly come to God with no “cover up,” admit our need and put our trust in Christ as God’s way of salvation, God freely forgives.** Our conscience is clear and we can begin a new life in fellowship with the almighty

Blessed are the man and woman whose sin the Lord does not count against them. Here is the only way to this wonderful blessing. Don’t try any other way. It will not work. **This is the way to find peace with God!**