THE PSALMS

Psalm 51

The Penitent Heart

He Pleads for God's Mercy

- He Went to the Right One (v. 1)
- Plea Based on God's Character
  - His Kindness

    PSALM 36:7; 63:3; 69:16
  - His Compassion

    PSALM 25:6; 119:156; 89:6

Let us go to God, who is willing to forgive.

His Plea:

- **'Do Not Abandon Me'** (v. 11)
  - **'Do Not Cast Me Away'**

    PSALM 16:11
  - **Not Take Away His Holy Spirit**

    1ST SAM. 16:13; 1ST COR. 6:19; ROM. 8:9

Let us recognize our need of His Spirit.

His Plea:

- **Forgive** (vv. 1-9)
  - **Removal of the Sin**

    PSALM 66:18
  - **Cleansing**

    REV. 1:5; 1ST JOHN 1:9
  - **Hide His Face From It**

    PSALM 103:10; 130:3

His Sin Acknowledged

- Always Before Him (v. 3)
- Against God (vv. 4, 5)
  - **God Was Blameless**
  - **He: Full of Sin**

Renewal Was Desired

- A Restored Joy
  - Joy of Forgiveness (v. 8)
  - Joy of Salvation (v. 12)
- Renewed Before God (v. 10)
  - A Clean Heart
  - A Renewed Spirit