

# THE FORGIVEN MAN!

## Psalm 32\*

### Introduction:

The first of what Luther quaintly called “The Pauline Psalms,” this psalm is a key O. T. passage teaching justification by faith alone through grace alone. According to the psalmist, forgiveness is the greatest boon we can experience. He divides his discussion into several sections:

### 1. The Character of Forgiveness - vss. 1,2

#### A. The Fourfold Definition of Sin

1)

2)

3)

4)

#### B. The Threefold Description of Forgiveness

1)

2)

3)

### 2. The Condition of the Unforgiven - vss. 3,4 (Points 2 and 3 are in the *first person—the psalmist speaking!*)

A. Physically

B. Mentally and Spiritually

### 3. The Confession of the Forgiven - vs. 5

### 4. The Confidence of the Forgiven - vss. 6,7

### 5. The Counsel of the FORGIVER - vss. 8,9 (This section in the *first person—God speaking!*)

A. God’s Pledge - vs. 8

B. God’s Plea - vs. 9

### 6. The Contrast Between the Unforgiven and the Forgiven - vss. 10,11

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