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**1** Blessed is the one whose transgression is forgiven, whose sin is covered.

**2** Blessed is the man against whom the Lord counts no iniquity, and in whose spirit there is no deceit.

**3** For when I kept silent, my bones wasted away through my groaning all day long.

**4** For day and night your hand was heavy upon me; my strength was dried up as by the heat of summer. Selah

**5** 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. Selah

**6** Therefore let everyone who is godly offer prayer to you at a time when you may be found; surely in the rush of great waters, they shall not reach him.

**7** You are a hiding place for me; you preserve me from trouble; you surround me with shouts of deliverance. Selah

**8** I will instruct you and teach you in the way you should go; I will counsel you with my eye upon you. **9** Be not like a horse or a mule, without understanding, which must be curbed with bit and bridle, or it will not stay near you.

**10** Many are the sorrows of the wicked, but steadfast love surrounds the one who trusts in the Lord. **11** Be glad in the Lord, and rejoice, O righteous, and shout for joy, all you upright in heart! <sup>(ESV)</sup>

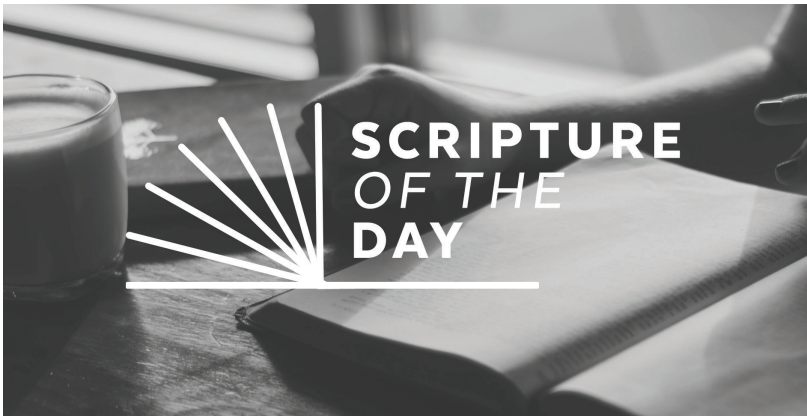
## Application Questions:

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These questions are meant for you take time to consider how to be a doer of the word, and not a hearer only (James 1:22-25). We also love to encourage one another based on this sermon in our Fellowship Groups! Fellowship groups will be meeting this week and then will be off for two weeks!

1. Read **verses 1-2** and **Psalms 103:10-12**, what are some of the ways you have experienced this happiness resulting from God forgiving and covering your sins?
2. Have you ever experienced the heavy hand of the Lord like David describes in **verses 3-4**? How did God lead you to be honest and deal with your sin?
3. Read **verse 5** and **2 Corinthians 7:9-11**. What are some of the ways people (even religious people) are trying to “cover” their own iniquity today? When was the first time you truly “acknowledged” your iniquity to the Lord and ceased trying to cover it yourself?
4. Read **verse 7**, **1 John 1:9**, **1 John 2:1**, and **Revelation 12:10-11**. How will the knowledge that God is surrounding you with his shouts of deliverance change the way you live this week?
5. Read **verses 8-9**. Are there any ways that you have been reticent or lazy to pay attention to the instruction of the Lord? How will you pay closer attention to his word this week?
6. Read **verses 10-11** and **Psalms 71:23**. Does the way you worship at church appropriately reflect the joy you should have at what God has done for you? In what ways do you need to actively obey God’s command to shout for joy?

Spend time praying as a group that God would only increase our joy as the Summer of Joy comes to a conclusion! Pray that he would do a great work of salvation as we begin studying Philippians 3 next week!



### Scripture Of The Day:

Monday - 1 John 3

Tuesday - 1 John 4

Wednesday - 1 John 5

Thursday - 2 John

Friday - 3 John

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