

## A Prayer for Recovery

*“Restore to me the joy of your salvation and grant me a willing spirit, to sustain me. Then I will teach transgressors your ways, so that sinners will turn back to you.”* Psalm 51:12-13)

*“If you have fallen by the way in life and your dreams and visions are shattered. If you are all broken inside, you don’t have to stay in the shape that you’re in. The Potter wants to put you back together again.”*

In this Psalm addressed to God, David presents himself as a guilty man before his Creator. David’s prayer is for purity, cleansing, and restoration. He initiates his prayer by entreating God for mercy. He then confesses his need to be washed, cleansed, and purged of all his sins. David wants to begin again. He desires to once again be in fellowship with God. He understands there can be no restoration without repentance.

David wants the power and the joy that can only be received through the presence of the Holy Spirit residing within. David’s prayer turns from “pleading to promising.” If God will grant his petitions and renew his spiritual life, then he offers this solemn promise. He will teach transgressors God’s way so that sinners will be converted. David promises to bring others to a saving knowledge of the loving-kindness of our God.

Do you feel the need for a fresh start in your walk with God? If so, there is good news! What God did for David he is willing to do for you – and all who come in repentance and faith. And whoever our Lord restores, he replenishes and they become tools that are available for the task of reaching the lost for the kingdom of God.

There is no greater joy than to share with others the Word that leads to life eternal. God uses all who come with clean hands and a clean heart. It pleases God to use us as his vessels to accomplish his purpose in the earth. -JEH

### Seeking the Hand of God

***Pray Today ...*** that the Holy Spirit will take charge of all aspects of the “National Consecration and Jubilation” emphasis this month, including the culminating “***National Worship Service of Encouragement***” on Sunday July 26, 2020. And that attendees will experience ‘ease of access’ to all events and activities, as we engage through ‘virtual’ portals.