

# The Father is Pursuing

## Psalm 32

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### Biblical Premise

The story of redemption in scripture is that God pursues you. Even though you might walk away from Him, He never walks away from you. The Father is always pursuing.

- God doesn't panic, but He does make plans to find the lost.

*John 10:10*

### The Enemies Agenda

- To steal all that is good, precious, and Christlike in your life.

David shows up 3,000 years ago, and he ties your joy, your happiness, your level of flourishing to forgiveness.

### The Problem With This Way of Thinking

- We know from personal experience this doesn't relieve our guilt, but heaps on more.

### Understand

- Guilt can have a godly purpose as it serves the moral code of humanity.
- Righteousness is not always about activity, but more to do with your identity.

### Defining Term

"Charge": to account, to reckon, to consider

- There is a principle in scripture that what you cover God uncovers, what you uncover, God will cover.

### 3 Parts To The Fathers Pursuit

1. Our good Father wants us back in right relationship
  - Those God loves He reproves and disciplines.

### How the Lord Disciplines

- It starts in your conscious.
- Goes to a sermon, a podcast, a Christian friend
- Escalate

### 2. Our good Father picks us up

- Until you own it, you will never be free from it.

### Defining Terms

Repentance: a change of mind, that leads to change of heart that leads to change of direction.

### Real Repentance Has 2 Elements

- Restitution
- Plan for holiness

### 3. Our good Father delivers us.