

# Maple Springs Baptist Church

Series: Question Everything

Week 2: Is Something Wrong with Me? Psalm 32

*Is something wrong with me? And, if so, is that what keeps me from being happy?*

**Psalm 32:1.** There *is*, in fact, something wrong with you ... & in order to be happy you have to deal with it...

**Psalm 32:3-4.** *That feeling of nakedness is ingrained in our souls, & it goes back to our relationship with God.*

*NOTE: Not all shame is legitimate.*

Not all guilt is bad.

Before you can clean up what is tore up, you have to come face to face what is broken.

**Psalm 32:5**

**1. To find happiness, you must be honest about your sin.**

In order for God to cover their sin, they first had to uncover it.

**2. To find happiness, you must own your sin.**

*God's forgiveness begins where blame-shifting ends.*

**3. To find happiness, you must learn to hate your sin & not just its consequences.**

*Many confess their sin & turn from it because THE CONSEQUENCE gets painful.*

**Psalm 32:9**

*Many avoid sin because they are afraid of what others might think about them if they got caught.*

*When your heart attitude toward the sin itself hasn't changed, then you haven't really confessed.*

**4. To find happiness, you must actually change direction. Psalm 32:10-11.**

Where there is no change, there has been no confession.

**Proverbs 24:16.** Confession is not perfection, it is a new direction.

**5. To find happiness, you must hide in God. Psalm 32:6-7.**

*A warning & a test:*

**Psalm 32:6.**

Warning: Seek God while He can be found.

Test: After you find the happiness of forgiveness, you feel love for God & compassion toward others. **Psalm 32:11.**

When we think too lightly of sin, we think too lightly of the Savior.

**Psalm 32:10.** The steadfast love of God for you produces steadfast love for God in you.

Do others feel safe in their weakness around you?

God's mercy is your hiding place!