



PSALMS



PSALM 51

STARTING OVER



WHY SHOULD WE
LIVE IN THE PSALMS?



The Psalms were the main songbook of the early church, and they were designed by God to awaken and express and shape the thoughts and feelings of Jesus' disciples. We learn from the Psalms how to feel in times of discouragement and in times of horrible regret. The Psalms show us how to be discouraged well and how to regret well and how to start over again.

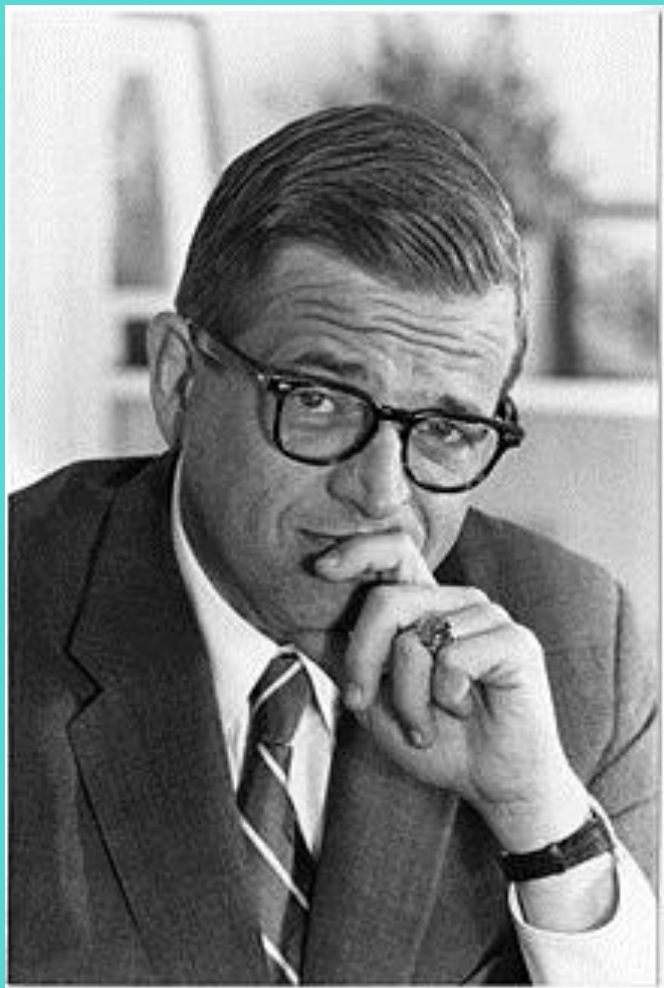
John Piper

Have mercy on me, O God,
according to your unfailing love;
according to your great compassion
blot out my transgressions.

Wash away all my iniquity
and cleanse me from my sin.

For I know my transgressions,
and my sin is always before me.
Against you, you only, have I sinned
and done what is evil in your sight;
so you are right in your verdict
and justified when you judge.





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FEDERAL GRAND JURY INDICTS 7 NIXON AIDES ON CHARGES OF CONSPIRACY ON WATERGATE; HALDEMAN, EHRLICHMAN, MITCHELL ON LIST

COLSON IS NAMED
A Question of Veracity of the President Is Indirectly Raised

By ANTHONY RIPLEY
Special to The New York Times
WASHINGTON, March 1—A federal grand jury today indicted seven men, all former officials of President Nixon's Administration or of his 1972 re-election campaign, on charges of covering up the Watergate scandal.

Never before have so many close and trusted advisers of an American President faced indictment.

All were charged with conspiracy — a conspiracy, the

MITCHELL JUDGE HALTS TRIAL HERE
Nixon Urges Quick Trials, Cautions on Prejudgment

SIRICA SAID TO GET FINDINGS ON NIXON

 John N. Mitchell Former Attorney General	 H. R. Haldean Headed White House staff	 John D. Ehrlichman Was Presidential adviser	 Charles W. Colson Former White House lawyer	 Robert C. Mardian 1972 campaign coordinator	 Kenneth W. Parkinson Lawyer for campaign unit	 Gordon C. Strachan Assisted Mr. Haldean
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DAVID IN REAL TROUBLE!

DAVID'S DOWNWARD SPIRAL OF SIN

- Lust leading to an affair
- Premeditated murder
- Cover-up lies
- Sin exposed – Nathan's parable
- Punishment – “your son will die”
- Deep regret and remorse





A JUDGE WHO IS
BOTH RIGHTEOUS
& FORGIVING



TWO KINDS OF PEOPLE

Undeserving people
seeking God's grace

Forgiven people
who mirror God's grace



Psalm 51:17
My sacrifice,
O God, is a broken spirit;
A broken and contrite heart
you, God, will not despise.