Study Guide

Sunday August 17, 2020 "Paid in Full"

1. → Psalms 32:1-5

Blessed is the one whose transgressions are **forgiven**, whose sins are covered. Blessed is the one whose sin the Lord does not count against them and in whose spirit is no deceit. When I kept silent, my bones wasted away through my groaning all day long. For day and night your hand was heavy on me; my strength was sapped as in the heat of summer. Then I acknowledged my **sin** to you and did not cover up my iniquity. I said, "I will confess my transgressions to the Lord." And you forgave the **guilt** of my **sin**.

2. Points to Remember

- A. The greatest debt that we owe is not financial but spiritual.
- B. Not all religion brings freedom in our lives, some brings bondage.
- C. The only debt we should owe each other is the debt of love.
- D. With His own blood Jesus paid our debt and set us free.
- E. No matter how deep the debt we owe, God's grace is deeper still.
- F. Jesus invites us to a relationship that makes our burden light.

3. Bible Verses

Romans 4:4-6	Not credited as a gift but as an obligation
Matthew 23:4	They tie up heavy, cumbersome loads
Romans 13:8-9	Let no debt remain outstanding
Hebrews 9:15	Died as a ransom to set them free
2 Kings 4:7	Sell the oil and pay your debts
Matthew 11:28-30	My yoke is easy and my burden is light

4. Discussion Questions

- A. Do you think we tend to make it too hard or too easy on new Christians?
- B. What is the biggest burden you are carrying right now?
- C. How does our relationship with the Father lighten our burden?