

A Complete Covering

(Romans 4:6-8)

- Introduction:
1. (Isaiah 28:20) provides a vivid description of inadequacy.
 2. Psalm 32 was part of the synagogue worship on the day of atonement.
 3. This lesson is intended to remind us how to cover our sins, and to trust in the adequacy of that covering.

I. Inadequate Covering For Our Sins

- A. Trying to hide our sins.
1. (Genesis 3:8).
 2. (John 3:19).
 3. (Ecclesiastes 12:14).
- B. Trying to rationalize our sins.
1. "I may do...but at least I don't..."
 2. (2 Corinthians 10:12).
 3. (Romans 14:12).
- C. Trying to deny our sins.
1. (1 John 3:4).
- D. Trying to ignore our sins.
1. Time has no forgiving power.
 2. (Psalm 32:5; 1 John 1:9).
- E. Despairing when we sin.
1. (Matthew 27:3-5).
 2. (Psalm 51:17; Romans 8:26).
- F. Good works.
1. (Titus 3:5).
 2. (Luke 17:10).

II. Adequate Covering For Our Sins

- A. Covered by the blood of Christ.
1. The blood of Christ is the satisfaction for our sins (Romans 3:23-26).
 2. The blood of Christ can reconcile enemies (Romans 5:6-10).
 3. The blood of Christ is adequate for the greatest sinner (Romans 5:20).
- B. How do we appropriate the blood of Christ?
1. (Romans 1:1-6).
 2. (1 Corinthians 15:1-3; Romans 6:17-18).

- Conclusion:
1. (Isaiah 1:18) - Come let us reason together.
 2. Will you allow Christ to cover your sins by his blood?