

# **“The Backslider’s Sacrifices”**

Text: Psalm 51:16-17

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## A. The Backslider’s Pleas: vs. 1-2

1. To be handled gently by God’s love
2. To be forgiven by God’s mercy

## B. The Backslider’s Awakening: vs. 3-6

1. He saw his heart: total depravity/original sin
2. He saw God’s heart: love for truth and willingness to teach through failure

## C. The Backslider’s Petitions: vs. 7-12

1. For the prerequisites to fellowship: cleansing and a new heart
2. For the fruits of fellowship: joy/right motive
3. To safeguard fellowship: being aware of God’s presence/sustained by the Lord

## D. The Backslider’s Commitments: Vs. 13-15

1. He will teach out of personal experience
2. He will praise out of personal deliverance

E. The Backslider's Sacrifices: vs. 16-17

1. The \_\_\_\_\_ Sacrifice

Psalm 51:16

ERIC ALEXANDER, "It is a mark of spiritual barrenness in the church when people come to worship to fulfill a duty or keep a habit rather to satisfy an appetite."

a. Brings \_\_\_\_\_ to God – Isaiah 1:10-20

b. \_\_\_\_\_ the \_\_\_\_\_ the sacrifice:

Matt. 11:28-30

2. The \_\_\_\_\_ Sacrifice

Psalm 51:17

a. A Broken \_\_\_\_\_

Ps. 94:12, Ps. 119:71-75, Rom. 12:1-2

b. A Wounded \_\_\_\_\_

Mark 2:17