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## Psalm 51

1 Have mercy on me, O God,  
according to your loving kindness:  
according to the multitude of your  
tender mercies blot out my  
transgressions.

2 Wash me thoroughly from my  
iniquity, and cleanse me from my sin.

3 For I acknowledge my  
transgressions: and my sin is ever  
before me.

4 Against you, you only, have I  
sinned, and done this evil in your  
sight: that you might be justified  
when you speak, and be clear when  
you judge.

5 Behold, I was shaped in iniquity;  
and in sin did my mother conceive  
me.

6 Behold, you desire truth in the inward parts: and in the hidden part you shall make me to know wisdom.

7 Purge me with hyssop, and I shall be clean: wash me, and I shall be whiter than snow.

9 Hide your face from my sins, and blot out all my iniquities.

10 Create in me a clean heart, O God; and renew a right spirit within me.

12 Restore to me the joy of your salvation; and uphold me with your free spirit.

15 O Lord, open you my lips; and my mouth shall show forth your praise.

17 The sacrifices of God are a broken spirit: a broken and a contrite heart, O God, you will not despise.