<u>"When Our Story Turns Ugly"</u> Bible Stories Sermon Series, Pt. 24 – Psalm 51:1-19 February 10, 2019

I. The Guidance of Psalm 51

- A. An Appeal for Pardon (vs. 1-2)
 - 1. David's appeal was based on God's promised faithfulness.
 - 2. Ours can be as well.
- B. An Honest Confession (vs. 3-6)
 - 1. David confessed his sin and overall sinfulness.
 - 2. We should do the same. (1 John 1:8-9)
- C. A Plea for Restoration (vs. 7-9)
 - 1. David wanted his spiritual leprosy removed so he could be restored.
 - 2. We are to pray for God to return to us a sense of His presence.
- D. A Request for Transformation (vs. 10-12)
 - 1. David prayed for the Lord to remake him altogether.
 - 2. We too should pray for total internal renovation.
- E. A Promise of (God's) Exaltation (vs. 13-18).
 - 1. David promised to rightly thank and worship the Lord upon forgiveness.
 - 2. We should ask the Lord for the chance to glorify Him as well.

II. God's Response to Psalm 51

A. David was heard and forgiven. (2 Sam. 12:13)

Isaiah 37:35 - For I will defend this city to save it for My own sake and for My servant David's sake.

B. Because of Christ, we can always know that our prayers of repentance will be heard too.