

Psalm 51

Lyrics and Music by Shane Heilman

(Verse 1a)

B

Be merciful to me, O God

C#m F# G#m B

According to Your great love

E F#/A# B G#m

According to Your great compassion blot out my transgressions

E

Wash away all of my guilt

F#sus

And cleanse me from my sin

(Verse 1b)

B

For I know my transgressions

C#m F# G#m B

And my sin is always before me

E F#/A# B G#m

Against You, and You alone I've sinned and done evil in Your sight

E

So You're just in Your words

F#sus

And blameless when You judge

(Chorus 1)

B

F#maj7/A#

For I was born into iniquity

G#m

Sinful when I was conceived

F#

O, You desire truth in the inmost part

B F#maj7/A#
 You teach me wisdom in the se...cret heart
 G#m
 Purge me with hyssop and I'll be clean
 F# B G#m
 Wash me and I will be whiter than snow, whiter than snow

(Verse 2a)

B
 Let me hear joy and gladness
 C#m F# G#m B
 Let the bones that You have broken re-ejoice
 E F#/A#
 Hide Your fa-ace from my sins
 B G#m
 Blot out all my iniquities
 E
 And create within me
 F#sus
 A clean heart, O God

(Chorus 2)

B F#maj7/A#
 Create in me a clean heart, O God
 G#m
 Renew a right spirit within me
 F#
 And do not cast me from Your presence
 B
 Take not Your Holy Spirit
 F#maj7/A# G#m
 Away...ay from me, restore to me the joy of
 F# E B/G# E B/G#
 Your salvation, sustain me with a willing spirit

(Bridge)

Then I will teach transgressors your ways
And sinners will return to You
Forgive...me for shedding blood, O God
O God of my salvation
Then I will sing joyfully of Your righteousness
O Lord, open my lips and my mouth will declare Your praise
For You don't delight in sacrifice, or that's what I would bring
You don't want burnt offering, for the sacrifices of God

(Chorus 3)

Are a broken spirit, a broken contrite heart You'll not
Despise, O God, show favor to Zion in Your good pleasure
And build up the walls of Jerusalem, then you'll delight in
Righteous sacrifices and in burnt offerings, whole burnt offerings
Then bulls will be offered on your altar
Right sacrifice
Pure sacrifice