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[...] 22 And Reuben answered them, "Did I not tell you not to sin against the boy? But you did not listen. So now there comes a reckoning for his blood."

– **Genesis 42:21-22**

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He said to his brothers, "My money has been put back; here it is in the mouth of my sack!" At this their hearts failed them, and they turned trembling to one another, saying, "What is this that God has done to us?"

– **Genesis 42:28**

you have sinned against the Lord, and be sure your sin will find you out.

– **Numbers 32:23b**

Psalms 32

Unconfessed Sin

For when I kept silent, my bones wasted away through my groaning all day long. For day and night your hand was heavy upon me; my strength was dried up as by the heat of summer.

– **Psalms 32:3-4**

Seeking Forgiveness

I acknowledged my sin to you, and I did not cover my iniquity; I said, "I will confess my transgressions to the Lord," and you forgave the iniquity of my sin.

– **Psalms 32:5**

If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

– **1 John 1:9**

Matthew 6:14-15

Matthew 18:21-35

Mark 11:25

Blessed is the one whose transgression is forgiven, whose sin is covered. Blessed is the man against whom the Lord counts no iniquity, and in whose spirit there is no deceit.

– **Psalm 32:1-2**

Repentance

I will instruct you and teach you in the way you should go; I will counsel you with my eye upon you. Be not like a horse or a mule, without understanding, which must be curbed with bit and bridle, or it will not stay near you.

– **Psalm 32:8-9**

Repentance [NW1828]: 3. Repentance is a change of mind, or a conversion from sin to God. [...] Repentance is the relinquishment of any practice, from conviction that it has offended God.

Practice This

Confess

Seek Forgiveness

Repent