

Confession of Sins

Jesus said, "Love the Lord your God with all your heart, soul, mind, and strength.... [and] love others as yourself."

"In everything, do to others what you would have them do to you...." [Matt. 22:37; 7:12]

God is light; in him there is no darkness at all. If we claim to have fellowship with God yet walk in the darkness, we lie and do not live by the truth. But if we walk in the light... we have fellowship with one another, and the blood of Jesus Christ purifies us from all sin.

If we claim to be without sin, we deceive ourselves and the truth is not in us. But if we confess our sins, God is faithful and just and will forgive us our sins and cleanse us of all unrighteous....

My dear children, I write this to you so that you will not sin. But if anyone does sin, we have an advocate – one who speaks to God the Father in our defense – Jesus Christ, the Righteous One. He is the atoning sacrifice for our sins. [I John 1:5ff]

Continue to work out your salvation with fear and trembling, for it is God who works in you to will and to act according to his good purpose. [Phil. 2:12]

Rejoice in the Lord always.... Let your gentleness be evident to all.... Do not be anxious about anything, but present your requests to God with thanksgiving. And the peace of God, which transcends all understanding, will guard your hearts and minds. [Phil. 4:4-7]

Therefore, since we have these promises, let us purify ourselves of everything that contaminates body and spirit, perfecting holiness out of reverence for God. [II Cor. 7:1]

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Search my heart, O God...
Reveal any sinful ways within me,
And lead me in the path of your salvation.

[Psalm 139:23-24]

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| " Idolatry (putting anything or anyone ahead of God) | " Argumentative |
| " Blasphemy (inappropriate or disrespectful references to God, Jesus, or the Holy Spirit) | " Uncooperative |
| " Ungratefulness toward God | " Divisive (causing discord) |
| " Lack of faith and trust in God | " Rebellious attitude and behavior |
| " Spiritual pride and hypocrisy | " Insensitivity toward the needy |
| " Personal pride and arrogance | " Racial bigotry or discrimination |
| " Self-centeredness | " Sexist attitudes and behavior |
| " Selfish ambition | " Greed and the love of money |
| " Dishonoring one's parents | " Materialism |
| " Dishonoring one's spouse | " Covetousness – dissatisfaction with what one has |
| " Neglecting one's children | " Stealing |
| " Provoking one's children | " Hedonism (pleasure-seeking) |
| " Lack of love and compassion | " Lying and cheating |
| " Disrespectful of others | " Laziness and irresponsibility |
| " Insensitivity toward others | " Immature attitudes and behavior |
| " Envy and jealousy | " Lack of self-discipline |
| " Bitterness – holding a grudge | " Violent temper and behavior |
| " Gossip and slander | " Crude behavior |
| " Judging others unjustly | " Coarse, obscene language |
| " Taking advantage of others | " Sexual lust and immorality |
| " Showing favoritism toward others | " Homosexual behavior |
| " Hatred of others | " Alcohol and/or drug abuse |
| | " Gluttony (over-eating) |
| | " Any addictions or obsessions |
| | " Involvement in the Occult |

