

# CONFESSION

1 John 1:3-10

## I. Maturing in Confession results in:

- A. Greater \_\_\_\_\_ with other believers and God.
- B. Greater \_\_\_\_\_
- C. Greater \_\_\_\_\_ of salvation.

## II. Path to fellowship, joy and assurance :

- A. \_\_\_\_\_ in the Light.
- B. \_\_\_\_\_ your sin.

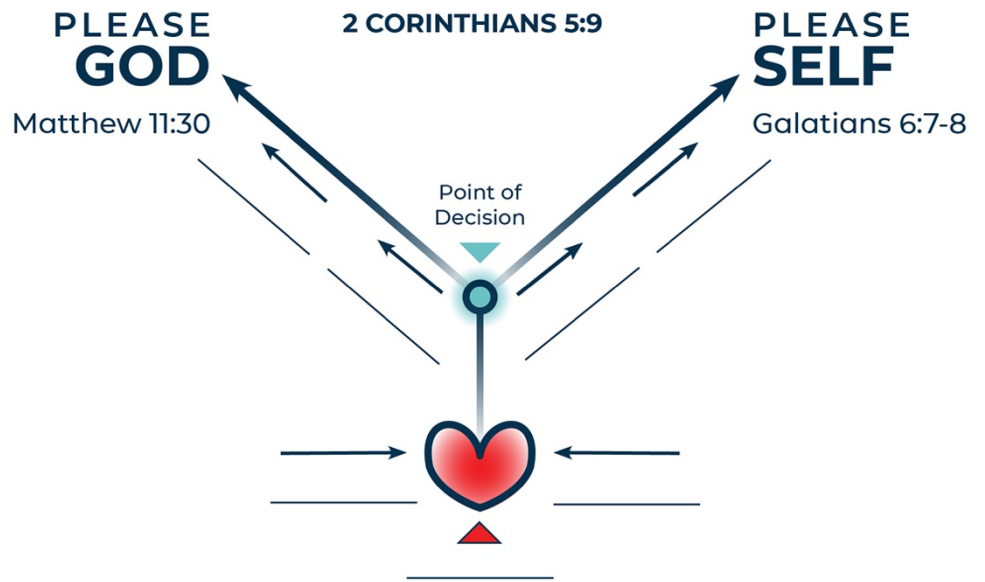
## III. Confession means:

- A. You \_\_\_\_\_ with everything God says about your sin.
- B. You accept \_\_\_\_\_ for your sin.
- C. Come with a heart of \_\_\_\_\_.

## IV. As you mature, you should grow in \_\_\_\_\_ repentance.

## V. Your confession should be as wide as the sin.

1. Sins of the heart (only) should be confessed to God. 1 John 1:9
2. We should confess to those we have \_\_\_\_\_. (Matt 5:23-24).
3. We should confess to those who \_\_\_\_\_ (Acts 19:18) because it dishonored the Lord and our testimony.
4. We should confess our sin for purposes of \_\_\_\_\_ (James 5:16).



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### LOOK BACK

- **Praise: Psalm 32 and 51**

Give praise to God for WHO He is and WHAT He has done. (How have you seen him work, answered a prayer, blessed you or someone else).

The language of our faith is thanksgiving in all things. What is hard in your life that you will, by faith, give thanks for?

- **Confession:** Have you been indifferent to confessing sin in your life to God and others?

### LOOK IN

- What in 1 John 1 encourages you to grow in your confession of sin?
- Is it true of you that as you study God's Word you are receiving more "light" from the Scriptures that you need to respond to in obedience?
- Read 2 Cor. 7:9-11. Would you say your confession of sin comes more out of worldly sorrow or godly sorrow?
- Read Mark 7:21-23. Are there heart (root) sins you need to confess?
- Is there someone you need to go to and confess your sin in order to reconcile the relationship? Will you do that this week?
- What questions, concerns, or doubts do you have regarding what you have heard and read?
- How did the Holy Spirit speak through this passage to inform, remind, convict, or encourage you?
- For Further Study: Read these passages to deepen your understanding.
  - Matthew 3:8
  - Psalm 38
  - Matthew 5:23-24
  - James 5:13-16

### LOOK FORWARD

**BLESS:** Matthew 5:23-24 instructs us to set aside our gifts to God if someone has something against us, and to reconcile with them. Will you go to and confess your sin to reconcile that relationship? When?

- Closing Prayer
  - Requests: What are you asking God to do in the coming week?
  - Relinquishment: Present your body to God as an instrument to work in and through for His glory.