

## The Power of Confession

24: A Day With God

Jesus: “If your right eye causes you to sin, gouge it out and dispose of it. It is better for you to lose one part of your body than for your whole body to be thrown into Hell. And if your right hand causes you to sin, cut it off. It is better for you to lose part of your body than for your whole body to go to Hell.”

Matthew 5:29-30

Jesus: “Out of your heart come evil thoughts, vulgar deeds, stealing, murder, unfaithfulness in marriage, greed, meanness, deceit, indecency, envy, insults, pride, and foolishness. All of these come from your heart...”

Mark 7:21-23 (C.E.V)

“Then Nathan said to David, “You are the man! This is what the LORD, the God of Israel, says: ‘I anointed you king over Israel, and I delivered you from the hand of Saul. I gave your master’s house to you, and your master’s wives into your arms. I gave you the house of Israel and Judah. And if all this had been too little, I would have given you even more. Why did you despise the word of the LORD by doing what is evil in his eyes? You struck down Uriah the Hittite with the sword and took his wife to be your own. You killed him with the sword of the Ammonites.”

2 Samuel 12:7-9

### Recovering The Lost Art Of Confession (Psalm 51)

1. Quit \_\_\_\_\_ our sin.

“Have mercy on me, O God, according to your unfailing love; according to your great compassion blot out my transgressions.”

Psalm 51:1

Jesus: “Be perfect, therefore, as your heavenly Father is perfect.”

Matthew 5:48

2. Quit \_\_\_\_\_ our sin.

“Against you, you only, have I sinned and done what is evil in your sight, so that you are proved right when you speak and justified when you judge.”

Psalm 51:4

3. Quit \_\_\_\_\_ our responsibility.

Psalm 51:

v. 1 – Blot out my transgressions.

v. 2 – Wash away all my iniquity and cleanse me from my sin.

v. 3 – For I know my transgressions, my sin is always before me.

v. 4 – Against you, you only, have I sinned.

v. 5 – Surely, I was sinful at birth, sinful from the time my mother conceived me.

### I Agree with God when I Confess

• My \_\_\_\_\_. (“to revolt” or “to rebel”)

“Have mercy on me, O God, according to your unfailing love; according to your great compassion blot out my transgressions.”

Psalm 51:1

• My \_\_\_\_\_. (“to twist” or “to bend”)

“Wash away all my iniquity...”

Psalm 51:2

• My \_\_\_\_\_. (“missing the target”)

“Wash away all my iniquity and cleanse me from my sin...For I know my transgressions, and my sin is always before me.”

Psalm 5:1,3

### Through Confession I Experience

• God’s \_\_\_\_\_ and God’s \_\_\_\_\_.

“Cleanse me with hyssop, and I will be clean; wash me, and I will be whiter than snow. Let me hear joy and gladness; let the bones you have crushed rejoice. Hide your face from my sins and blot out all my iniquity. Create in me a pure heart, O God, and renew a steadfast spirit within me.”

Psalm 51:7-11