



The Power of Confession

Daniel 9 Unshakable Faith

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"This is what the LORD says: "When seventy years are completed for Babylon, I will come to you and fulfill my gracious promise to bring you back to this place. For I know the plans I have for you," declares the LORD, "plans to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give you hope and a future."

Jeremiah 29:10-11, NIV

Sin is what causes our _____ and makes us _____.

1. We know from Daniel's prayer that restoration comes about through _____ and _____.

A. Certainly we learn from Daniel's prayer that I must take sin _____ than I do.

"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 sapped as in the heat of summer. Then I acknowledged my sin to you and did not cover up my iniquity. I said, "I will confess my transgressions to the LORD"— and you forgave the guilt of my sin." Psalms 32:3-5, NIV

B. Your family doesn't get better by pretending something _____ . Only _____ the wrong done, and _____ of it gives power for reconciliation among people.

"Repent, then, and turn to God, so that your sins may be wiped out, that times of refreshing may come from the Lord." Acts 3:19, NIV

C. A case could be made that we ought to include _____ in every prayer we pray.

D. I must _____ my sin if I want to _____ it's power.

E. Anything addictive needs _____ to beat it.

"He who conceals his sins does not prosper, but whoever confesses and renounces them finds mercy." Proverbs 28:13, NIV

2. God's _____ is always _____ than my _____.

"But now, once for all time, he has appeared at the end of the age to remove sin by his own death as a sacrifice. And just as each person is destined to die once and after that comes judgment, so also Christ died once for all time as a sacrifice to take away the sins of many people. He will come again, not to deal with our sins, but to bring salvation to all who are eagerly waiting for him."

Hebrews 9:26-28, NIV