

QUIET TIME OF CONFESSION

1. Conviction and confession

Get Honest with God. Will you talk with Him? How can two walk together unless they be agreed (*Amos 3:3*)? Will you let God change you on every issue where you have not been pleasing to Him? Will you lay aside every burden and sin to run toward Jesus (*Heb 12:1-2*)? Prayerfully work through one of the "Heart-searching" prompts, elsewhere in this section. Read *Eph 4-6, Col 3, Heb 12-13 and Mat 5-7*.

2. Repentance and cleansing

Pray, "Lord Jesus, the sacrifices of God are a broken and contrite spirit, and a contrite heart You will not despise. Give me courage to judge my own self and flesh and sin, to take sides with You against them, so that I can come boldly to Your throne of grace with no condemnations." In light of His holiness, like Isaiah, humbly say, "Woe is me, I am undone." Then receive the cleansing coal of God's holy fire that refines, purifies, and burns away the dross.

3. Surrender

God has the right of possession of your entire life, if you are His. Absolutely lay all on the altar. Surrender the most important person, possession, position, dream, place, or anything of your life for God to break, melt, mold and fill with Himself afresh. "Nothing between my soul and the Savior, so that His blessed face may be seen, Nothing preventing the least of His favor. Keep the way clear! Let nothing between!" Jesus rejoices over your abandonment to Him (*Zep 3:17*). Ask Him to let you enter into His joy over you. For the joy set before Him, He endured the cross.

4. Thanksgiving

"If we confess our sins, He is faithful and just and will forgive us our sins and purify us from all unrighteousness. If the Son sets you free, you will be free indeed. Therefore, there is now no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus. I wash my hands of innocence, and go about Your altar, O Lord, proclaiming aloud Your praise and telling of all Your wonderful deeds (*1 Jn 1:9, Jn 8:36, Ro 8:1, Psa 26:6-7*)."

Pray: Thank you, loving Father, for seeing me through the blood of Your perfect sacrifice for my sin. Holy Spirit, fill Your empty cleansed vessel. I receive You in all Your fullness.

5. Love Him

Love Him much, for those who have been forgiven much love much (*Lk 7:47*). Love Him for who He is. Let Him love you in intimate fellowship as you let Him tell you how He sees you. Rejoice in who you are in Christ. Bask in His love, Receive love from Him.