

# Corporate Confession

## Sin Separates:

Sin of one affects the whole: Adam and Eve, Achan

Sin of whole affects the one: Joshua and Caleb

Word and Spirit produce conviction—confession—repentance corporately

Scripture passed on orally—read collectively:

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### Ezra

Ezra 9:1-10:14

### Nehemiah

Nehemiah 8-9:19

### Solomon

II Chron 6:21. Hear our supplication and forgive

II Chron 7:11-14. If My people....

Sin of all seen through the consequences to all

## New Covenant

- **Day of Pentecost:** Acts 2:36-37: Jesus who you crucified—Pierced to the heart—repent—let each of you...vs 42-47—THEY
- **Call to the seven churches—Revelation 2-3**  
Hear—Respond/Overcome—Reward
- **Worship Leads to Confession**  
Isaiah 6:5—exposure to holiness (when we compare ourselves to the culture we do not have an accurate assessment of our true condition  
Neh 8:6-9
- **It is the way of the Laver**  
Psalm 32—when I kept silent about my sin—acknowledge my sin —let everyone confess  
Marriage—like Christ and His church—washed with the water of the Word—
- **Corporate confession interrupts self-centered faith**  
All we like sheep have gone astray —Isaiah 53:5-6  
All have sinned and fall short—by the works of the Law none are justified—Romans 3
- **Lack of Confession leads to lack of community**  
Confession restores fellowship  
Isaiah 59:1-2

## Allows for Identification with the Body of Christ

I am a member of the greater body

Forgive US our debts

I John 1:9