

A Suggested Repentance Service

The Lord's Prayer:

Our Father in heaven, Hallowed by Your name.

Your kingdom come, Your will be done,

On earth as it is in heaven.

Give us this day our daily bread.

And forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors.

And do not lead us into temptation, but deliver us from the evil one.

For Yours is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever. Amen

Confession of Personal Sins:

Pastor/priest/ leader: Read one or more of these suggested Scriptures:

Create in me a clean heart, O God, And renew a steadfast spirit within me. Do not cast me away from Your presence, And do not take Your Holy Spirit from me. Restore to me the joy of Your salvation, And uphold me by Your generous spirit...

~Psalm 51: 10-12

But you are a chosen generation, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, His own special people, that you may proclaim the praises of Him who called you out of darkness into His marvelous light... 1 Peter 2:9

" If we confess our sins, He is faithful and just to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness." 1 John 1:9

"I will dwell in them and walk among them. I will be their God, And they shall be My people.' Therefore 'Come out from among them and be separate, says the Lord. Do not touch what is unclean, and I will receive you.' 'I will be a Father to you, and you shall be My sons and daughters, says the Lord Almighty.' Therefore, having these promises, beloved, let us cleanse ourselves from all filthiness of the flesh and spirit, perfecting holiness in the fear of God." 2 Corinthians 6:16-7:1

End with this Scripture: *"These six things the LORD hates, Yes, seven are an abomination to Him: a proud look, a lying tongue, hands that shed innocent blood, a heart that devises wicked plans, feet that are swift in running to evil, a false witness who speaks lies, and one who sows discord among brethren."*
Proverbs 6:16-19

Pastor/priest/ leader: "The Holy Spirit is not only your Comforter. He's also the Helper, the Spirit of Truth, One who convicts the world of sin. Invite Him now into your prayer time, taking for example, one of those sins, the shedding of innocent blood, as your focus.

"In three minutes of silence, in private, ask the Holy Spirit if you have that sin pattern. Perhaps you can ask one or more of these questions: Is it a generational curse? Do you have a remnant, a residue of that sin? When did it surface in your life? How does it surface in your character today?

" Now, take one more minute of silence, in private. If you have confessed that sin, do you now choose to repent, to put it behind you, choosing instead His Way of Life?"

" I honor your privacy, but it's a blessing if anyone shares. The Word tells us in James 5:16: *"Confess your trespasses to one another, and pray for one another, that you may be healed."* Would anyone of you wish to share?

Time for sharing as to personal sins

Confession of National Sins

Pastor/priest/ leader: "Daniel and Nehemiah confessed their own sins, the sins of their families, their ancestors, and their nation. (Daniel 9:3-19; Nehemiah 1:4-11). In every nation there are five main national sins:

Idolatry

Killings of innocents

Sexual Perversions

Greed

Failing to Follow God's Covenant Plan for that Nation and Israel

"Invite the Holy Spirit now into your prayer time, taking for example, one of those national sins, the shedding of innocent blood, as your focus.

"In three minutes of silence, in private, confess how you, your family, your ancestors, your nation have committed that sin of the shedding of innocent blood.

"Now, take one more minute of silence, in private. Repentance is typically a personal act of your mind and heart. But some believe one can also repent for your nation, a form of identificational repentance. Do you now choose to repent for your nation, choosing instead His Way of Life?"

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Time for sharing as to national sins

Extensive time for fellowship ! JOY, and His Liberty follows repentance!

"Now the Lord is the Spirit; and where the Spirit of the Lord is, there is liberty. But we all, with unveiled face, beholding as in a mirror the glory of the Lord, are being transformed into the same image from glory to glory, just as by the Spirit of the Lord. " (2 Corinthians 3:17-18)