

Ch 4: Confession

Steps to Christ Children's Activity Sheet

Summary: Last week we learned that following Jesus means turning away from sin. We also need Jesus' forgiveness for our sin. To receive forgiveness, we need to confess our sins. This means, when we do something wrong, we need to admit it and say we are sorry. If we have hurt someone else, we need to tell that person we are sorry. We also need to tell God we are sorry, because that person, just like you and me, is His child. Then, we ask for God's forgiveness, which He is eagerly waiting to give us!

Unscramble the letters to finish these sentences. Discuss with your parents what each sentence means. (Hint: the answers are all in chapter 4 of Steps to Christ.)

1. To confess, we need to be _____ and admit we were wrong.
MEHBUL
2. Confession should be _____, not forced.
REAFHETLT
3. True confession is _____, we say we are sorry for exactly what we did wrong.
CPFEICIS
4. Paul confessed that he was the _____ of sinners, even persecuting Christians.
FCIEH
5. 1 John 1:9 says that if we confess our sins, Jesus is faithful to _____ them.
GOIFVER

When we confess our sins, Jesus forgives us and washes our sins away!

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Read Acts 26: 10,11. What are some of the specific things Paul confesses in these verses?

Are there any specific things you need to confess? Some things we only need to talk to God about, but if we have hurt someone else, we need to tell that person we are sorry too. If there is something you need to say you are sorry for, write it down here and then find that person and tell them:

Bible Story (Luke 15:11-24): Jesus told a story about a father who had two sons. The younger son went to his father and asked for his inheritance – this is the money that he would have gotten when his father died. Then the son left home and went to a far away city. There he wasted all his money; he threw wild parties and bought expensive things. But pretty soon, he ran out of money. Then there was a famine in the land, which means there was very little food. Food became expensive

and the son had no money left. He finally got a job feeding pigs, but even then he was starving. Finally, he thought, “I will go back to my father and confess that I have treated my father disrespectfully and sinned against him. I will ask to be one of his servants.” So the son traveled back home.

While he was still a long way off his father came running to meet him. The son confessed to his father, “I have sinned against you.” But before he could ask to be a servant, his father started celebrating! He welcomed his son back and forgave him! He was so happy that his beloved son had come home. When we confess our sins, God is so happy to forgive us and welcome us back into His family!



Song: If We Confess (<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=YpScJJx58JY>)

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