



REFLECTION GUIDE

Week of June 21, 2015
Confession & Assurance



This morning, Corey Widmer continued our new sermon series on Worship. Today's topic focused on the Confession and Assurance of Pardon

READ

Psalm 32:1-7, 2
2 Corinthians 5:16-21

REFLECT

1. The Psalmist says that the happiest person in the world is the one who knows they are a sinner and knows they have been forgiven. Does this formula for happiness exist in your own life?
2. Pastor Corey talked about how our central problem is that we are rebels. Think back through your life and look for instances where you have rebelled against God. Do you comprehend that we are broken and "unfit" before God?
3. What methods and tactics do you use to cover up your sin? How do you hide your brokenness from those around you? How do you attempt to hide it from God?

PRAY

- + Confess to God how we often attempt to hide our flaws from Him and those around us instead of bringing our iniquities to Him.
- + Thank God for the power of confession, His ability to re-orient us to Him through the act and for the everlasting assurance of pardon through His Son, Jesus Christ.
- + Pray for spiritual renewal and revival in our community.

PRACTICE

- + From now on, during the confession, focus on the reality of your transgressions and not your identity as a "hypothetical sinner."
- + Corey presented two false Gospels and two Godly responses. Write these two down and turn to them throughout the day to encourage you to confess and to assure you of forgiveness: 1. "You are not okay, you are worse than you imagined, come and stop your hiding game and admit what's really going on." 2. "You are more loved and forgiven than you ever imagined. Here in my grace, here and her alone, will you find assurance, wholeness, and everlasting healing."