

CONFESSION – Biblical references. These are not exhaustive, of course. They are simply the references used and should be read in the context of the teaching on 23/03/2025. Some references are repeated because they illustrate two points.

Definitions: the response to confession of sin is usually but not always forgiveness. Joshua 7: 19-26; Leviticus 26: 40-46; Psalm 32: 5; Matthew 27: 4; 1John 1: 8-9

Hebrew Scriptures: Gen 32: 9-11; 1Kings 8: 32-35; 2Chron 6: 26-27; Neh 1: 4-11; Psalms 22; 32; 51; 116; Lev 16 – Day of Atonement.

Christian Scriptures:

- **Confession of faith:** Dimensions –
Messiah: Mat 16:16
Son of God: Mat 8: 29; John 1: 49
God incarnate: 1John 4: 2
Death and resurrection: Rom 10: 9
LORD: John 20: 28

- **Confession of faith:** Characteristics
To God but before men: Mat 10: 32; Luke 12: 8; 1Tim 6:12
Word of mouth: Rom 10: 9; Phil 2: 11
Costly: Mat 10: 32-39; John 9: 22; John 12: 42
Jesus the pattern: Mat 26: 62; John 18: 36
Eschatological dimension: Rev 5: 11-12; Rev 7: 9-10; Rom 14: 11-12; Phil 2: 10-11

- **Confession of Sin:** 1John 1: 5-16
Rarely in public: Acts 19: 18
Individual: Mat 5: 23; James 5: 16
Authority to forgive: John 20: 23; 1John 1: 19