

Prayers for Personal Revival, Pt. 1
Petitions for Thursday, March 4 through Wednesday, March 10, 2021

Introduction: Let us first pray for our own personal revival, and then after we have been revived let us pray for the revival of others.

- I. Memory Verses in Relation to Confession of Personal Sins:**
 - A. Proverbs 28:13,** *“He that covereth his sins shall not prosper: But whoso confesseth and forsaketh them shall have mercy.”*
 - B. 1 John 1:9,** *“If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just to forgive us our sins, and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness.”*

- II. Passages on Which to Meditate in Relation to Confession of Personal Sins:**
 - A. Psalm 32:1-5**
 - B. Psalm 51:1-19**

- III. Sin Is Doing What God Said Not to Do and Failing to Do What God Said Do.**

- IV. God Takes All Sins Seriously:**
 - A. Adam and Eve simply ate from a tree that God commanded them not to eat (Genesis 3:22-24; cf. Romans 5:12).**
 - B. Moses did not enter the Promised Land because he hit a rock to which God commanded him to speak (Exodus 17:6-7; Numbers 20:7-13).**
 - C. Uzzah died because he reached out and touched the Ark that God commanded not to touch (2 Samuel 6:5-8; cf. Exodus 25:10-15; Numbers 4:15; Deuteronomy 31:9; Joshua 3:3; 1 Chronicles 15:11-15).**
 - D. Ananias and Sapphira died because they lied about the amount of money they gave to the church (Acts 5:1-10).**
 - E. Some of the members of the church at Corinth became sick and some even died because of their participation in the Lord’s Supper in an unworthy manner (1 Corinthians 11:27-30).**

- V. Some of the Sins of God’s Saints:**
 - A. Sins of commission:**
 - 1. Idolatry – An idol can be any person, place, or thing that we value more than God.**
 - a. The first two of the 10 Commandments are a prohibition against idolatry (Exodus 20:1-6).**
 - b. The greatest of all the commandments is to love God with all that is within us (Matthew 22:37).**
 - c. Idolatry was one of the sins of the Southern Kingdom of Judah that filled the cup of iniquity and led to the Babylonian captivity (Jeremiah 1:16; 2:11, 13, 20, 27, 28).**
 - d. Job is an example of someone who valued God more than anyone or anything else in the whole world (Job 1:1-22).**
 - e. Be careful about the people and things that you value more than God because God holds our very breath in His hands (Job 12:10; Psalm 104:29; Daniel 5:23; Luke 12:20; Acts 17:28).**
 - 2. Sinful Pride – This is one of the sins that fill the cup of iniquity for all of the nations: Sodom and Gomorrah (Ezekiel 16:49); the Northern Kingdom of**

Israel (Hosea 5:5; 7:10); the Southern Kingdom of Judah (Jeremiah 13:9, 17).

- a. According to James 4:6, “God resists the proud, but He gives grace to the humble.”
 - b. According to Proverbs 6:16-19, sinful pride is first on God’s hate list.
 - c. Satan was thrown out of the third heaven because of his sinful pride (Isaiah 14:12-15).
3. Gluttony – eating more than necessary. Gluttony was one of the sins that fill the cup of iniquity for Sodom and Gomorrah (Ezekiel 16:49).
 4. Speeding or driving over the speed limit.
 - a. The Bible teaches that we are to obey the laws of the land except when those laws conflict with the commandments of God (Romans 13:1-10; Titus 3:1; 1 Peter 2:13-15; cf. Acts 4:19-20; 5:29).
 - b. Paul and Peter wrote their letters during the reign of the wicked Emperor Nero.
 5. Lying – There are many ways in which we can tell lies – tax returns, about our age, about our weight, etc.
 6. Stealing – There are many ways in which we can steal – failure to give an employer the agreed upon amount of time on the job; tax returns, etc.
 7. Neglect of the Poor and Needy:
 - a. This was one of the sins of all of the nations (Ezekiel 16:49).
 - b. We are not commanded to eliminate the poor from the land because Jesus said we will always have the poor with us (Deuteronomy 15:11; John 12:8; cf. Proverbs 21:13).

B. Sins of omission:

1. Failure to glorify God (Isaiah 43:7; Romans 1:21; 3:23; 1 Corinthians 10:31).
2. Failure to seek reconciliation when relationships are fractured or broken (Matthew 5:23-24; 18:15-20).
3. Failure to practice the one another commands such as, love one another (John 13:34-35; 15:12, 17; Romans 13:8; 1 Thessalonians 4:9; 1 Peter 1:22; 1 John 3:11, 23; 4:7, 11; 2 John 1:5; cf. Matthew 22:36-40; Romans 13:8; 1 Corinthians 13:1-13; Galatians 5:14; Philippians 1:9; 1 Thessalonians 3:12; 2 Thessalonians 1:3; James 2:8; 1 Peter 3:8; 4:8; 1 John 4:12); be kind to one another (Ephesians 4:32); forgive one another (Ephesians 4:32; Colossians 3:13); encourage and comfort one another (1 Thessalonians 4:18; 5:11; Hebrews 3:13; 10:25); edify or build up one another (Romans 14:19; 1 Thessalonians 5:11; cf. 1 Corinthians 14:26b; 2 Corinthians 12:19); stir up one another to demonstrate love and to do good deeds or works (Hebrews 10:24).
4. Failure to witness to the lost (Mark 16:15-16; Acts 1:8).
5. Failure to make disciples of Jesus Christ (Matthew 28:19-20, NKJV).
6. Failure to be consistently under the control of the Holy Spirit of God (Ephesians 5:18; cf. Galatians 5:16).
7. Failure to be good stewards of our treasures (Proverbs 3:9; 22:7; Malachi 3:8-12); time (Ephesians 5:16); talents or spiritual gifts (1 Corinthians 7:7; 12:7, 11; Ephesians 4:7; 1 Peter 4:10); temples or bodies (1 Corinthians 6:19-20; cf. 1 Peter 1:18-19).