



Healing Power of Confession and Prayer

Small Group Work Sheet
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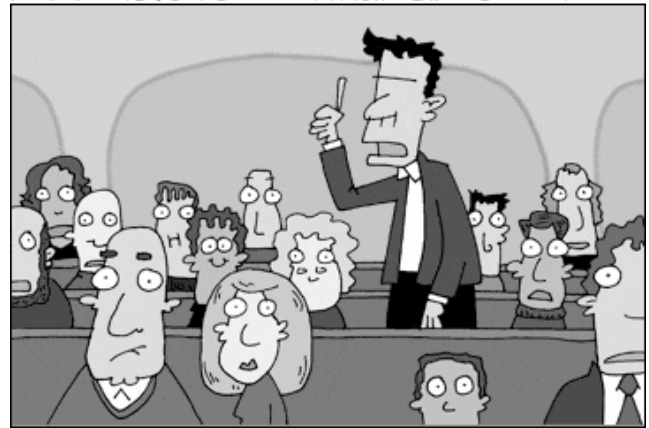
Part 1 - Ice Breaker

- What was the most memorable television program you watched last week?

Part 2 - Sermon Review

1. The last three messages in James focused on the importance of prayer. Have you changed your thought or practice of prayer because of them?
2. What kind of healing is James talking about? Why is confession so important?
3. When I am wrong, what is the rule to determine to whom I confess?
4. When we have a secret sin, what are the times we need to confess it to others even though it was just a sin against God? Provide examples.
5. Which is harder for you, to confess your sin or to forgive others their sin? Why?
6. What is the key to being able to forgive others of sin?
7. We are created for community. What is the relationship between sin and isolation? Why are relationships important for overcoming sin?
8. Why do we feel prayer has so little power? What does James tell us about the power of prayer? How is God calling you to change your prayer life?
9. James' final challenge is to rescue those who are wandering. We are to go after those who are living with an increasing disconnect between their faith and life. When you read that, who does the Holy Spirit bring to mind that you should try to rescue? Share the name with the group. Hold each other accountable by talking about this in your next meeting.

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