Confession Of Sin

- #1 Most merciful God, who art purer eyes than to behold iniquity, and hast promised forgiveness to all who confess and forsake their sins; We come before thee in a humble sense of our own unrighteousness, acknowledging our own manifold transgression of thy righteous laws. But, O gracious Father, who desires not the death of the sinner, look upon us, we beseech thee, in mercy, and forgive us all our transgressions. Make us deeply sensitive of the great evil of them; and work in us a hearty contrition; that we may obtain forgiveness at thy hands, who are ever ready to receive humble and penitent sinners; for the sake of thy Son Jesus Christ, our only Savior and Redeemer. Amen
- #2 Almighty and most merciful Father, we have erred and strayed from thy ways like lost sheep. We have followed too much the devices and desires of our own hearts. We have offended against thy holy laws. We have left undone those things which we ought to have done, and we have done those things which we ought not to have done. But thou, O Lord, have mercy upon us and spare those who confess their faults. We pray thee that thou would restore those who are penitent, according to thy promises declared unto manking in Christ Jesus our Lord. Grant, O most benevolent Father, for the sake of Christ, that we may hereafter live a godly, righteous, and joyous life, to the glory of thy holy name. Amen
- #3 Righteous and gracious Father, we confess our sin and bring accusation against ourselves that we are sinners. We own that we are strangers to the call of holiness. We admit that we are curved in upon ourselves. O Blessed Christ, have compassion on us, your people. Continue to grant unto us the gift of faith and repentance. Continue to teach us to hate that which is evil and to cling to that which is good. Continue to grant us the wisdom to confess our sins and to be pleased with your forgiveness. Instruct us in the way of righteousness as you teach us to cling to Christ alone for the righteousness that you find perfect. Most Holy God, continue to cause us to increasingly become what you have freely declared us to be, and do all this for the inheritance of thy Son, in whose name we pray. Amen
- #4 Most holy and merciful Father, we acknowledge and confess before you our sinful nature-prone to evil and slothful in good-and all our shortcomings and offenses against You. You alone know how often we have sinned in wandering from your ways, in wasting your gifts, in forgetting your love. O Lord, have mercy on us, who are ashamed and sorry for all wherein we have displeased You. Teach us to hate our errors, cleanse us from our secret faults, and forgive our sins for the sake of your dear Son. And O most holy and loving Father, send Your purifying grace into our hearts, we beseech You, that we may henceforth live in Your light and walk in Your ways, according to the commandments of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen