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PRAYER

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Kingdom Life - Prayer 1:

Prayer of Confession

Today's Story:

Today's lesson is about **talking with God** in prayer, and about saying "I'm sorry" to God when we have sinned.

God made us to know him as our King and enjoy his love and life. But our sin separates us from God and leads to eternal death. Sin is words, actions and thoughts that disobey God's good will. When we say sin leads to eternal death, it means that sin separates us from God's love and life forever. But God had a rescue plan through Jesus!

We are not saved because we are good. We are saved because Jesus loves us so much that he took our sin upon himself when he died on the cross. We can receive that free gift of salvation by repenting (or turning) from our sins, having faith in Jesus (trusting and obeying him) and being baptized. Then we have new life in Christ. We belong to God and Jesus is our Lord and King.

When we belong to God, we are still in God's Kingdom even though we may stumble and fall into sin again. We tell God about our sin, and ask his forgiveness, and then we keep following Jesus. Does that mean we can sin as much as we like because God will forgive us anyways? No! God asks us to repent of our sin, to be truly sorry, and to try not to sin again.

Telling God about our sin is called "**confession**". We can confess our sins to God in church and anywhere. When we ask God's **forgiveness**, we can know for sure that he forgives us. Then our sin is washed away, and we can have hope, joy, and peace.

Bible Memory Verse: *"God is faithful and fair. If we confess our sins, he will forgive our sins. He will forgive every wrong thing we have done. He will make us pure." 1 John 1:9 NIRV*

My Art Response:

