

THE BELIEVER'S CONFESSION GUIDE is de­signed to be used as a reminder of specific areas in a Christian's life which need confessing. This booklet will help an individual move into free­dom, fullness, and fellowship with the Lord.

*“Who may ascend to the hill of the Lord? And who may stand in His holy place?* He *who has clean hands and a pure heart, who has not lifted up his soul to falsehood, and has not sworn deceitfully.”*

(Psalm 24:3-4)

The Confession Guide is divided into two sections. The FIRST section, entitled GETTING FREE, deals with the believer's confession of righteousness and confession of sin. CONFESSION IS TWO SIDES OF THE SAME COIN. The first side of the coin is our confession of RIGHT­EOUSNESS. Yes, we are to confess our sins, but we are also to confess our righteousness. Many believers live under condemnation and guilt because they have never received or exercised the fact that they have been made the very righteousness of God in Christ. The other side of the coin is confession of SIN. Confession of sin is necessary for fellowship with God and a life of power in the Holy Spirit. In order to experience freedom and fullness in Christ, each believer must confess who he is in Christ and cleanse his conscience and purify his heart.

The SECOND section, entitled STAYING FREE, deals with how to maintain your freedom in Christ on a day-to-day basis by: (1) Thinking, speaking, and doing the right things; (2) Appropriating overcoming power; and (3) Praying.

As you go through the following material, TAKE YOUR TIME! Do not treat the confessions lightly. Find a quiet place where you can prayerfully listen to God. Spiritual freedom is experienced as you come honestly to the Word of God and to the throne of grace and begin confessing your RIGHTEOUSNESS and your SIN.

*“Since then we have a great high priest who has passed through the heavens, Jesus the Son of God, let us hold fast our CONFESSION. For we do not have a high priest who cannot sympathize with our weaknesses, but one who has been tempted in all things as we are, yet without sin. Let us therefore draw near with confidence to the* throne of grace, *that we may receive mercy and may find grace to help in time of need.”*

(Hebrews 4:14-16)

(All scriptures are from NAS unless otherwise indicated.)

**Section One**

**GETTING FREE**

**A. CONFESSION OF RIGHTEOUSNESS**

The Confessions of a New Creation

*“For neither* is *circumcision anything, nor uncircumcision, but a* new creation.”

(Galatians 6:15)

I AM A PERSON

(Genesis 2:7)

OF WORTH

(I Peter 2:9-10)

UNIQUELY CREATED IN GOD'S IMAGE

(Genesis 1:26-27)

SAVED

(John 3:16)

AND SEALED UNTO REDEMPTION

(Ephesians 4:30)

*“Therefore if any man be in Christ, he* is *a new creation: old things are passed away; behold all things are become new.”*

(II Corinthians 5:17 KJV)

The great word "therefore" links the death of Jesus with the new life in Jesus. Paul uses the phrase "in Christ" to describe the believer's new relationship with Jesus Christ. When Christ rose from the dead, the human race made a brand new start. The hostility and separation between man and God was ended at the resurrection. Man could now be one together in union with Christ. Because believers participate in Christ's death to