

I Need to Change
Making Change
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1. I need to die to myself

If you confess with your mouth that Jesus is Lord and believe in your heart that God raised Him from the dead, you will be saved. For it is by believing in your heart that you are made right with God, and it is by confessing with your mouth that you are saved.

Romans chapter 10 verses 9 & 10 (864)

2. I need to cooperate with God's transformational process

People who conceal their sins will not prosper, but if they confess and turn from them, they will receive mercy. Proverbs chapter 28 verse 13 (501)

What we cover, God uncovers

- We cover by ignoring
- We cover by blaming others
- We cover by pretending
- We cover by doing life with "sin sympathizers"
- We cover by lying

What we uncover, God covers

- When I confess my sin to God, I'm being honest & humble
- ***Humble yourselves under the mighty power of God, and at the right time He will lift you up in honor. 1 Peter chapter 5 verse 6 (937)***
- Since God already sees all, He's already waiting for me to come clean about my secrets, so He can lift me up & honor me
- Mercy = unearned compassion

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