**Catechism Lesson on Confession**

**NAME:\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

1. \_\_\_\_\_ Confession only has one part: saying sorry to God.
2. \_\_\_\_\_ In confession, we should confess all our sins to God, even the ones we don’t remember.
3. \_\_\_\_\_ The pastor forgives sins by his own power, not God’s.
4. \_\_\_\_\_ Private confession to the pastor is a required command in the Bible.
5. \_\_\_\_\_ It is helpful to think about the Ten Commandments to see where we have sinned.
6. \_\_\_\_\_ When we hear “I forgive you all your sins,” we should believe God Himself is forgiving us.
7. \_\_\_\_\_ Absolution means that God erases our sins through the pastor’s words.
8. \_\_\_\_\_ We should only confess sins to our pastor if we feel especially guilty or troubled by them.
9. \_\_\_\_\_ The Absolution spoken in church is just a tradition and not something we should trust.
10. \_\_\_\_\_ Confessing our sins brings healing, peace, and freedom in Christ.

**Essay Question:**

Write about a time when you felt bad about something you did. How does it help to know that God forgives you through Jesus, even when you don’t feel like you deserve it?

**Bible Study: 2 Samuel 11:1–12:15 — David’s Sin and God’s Forgiveness**

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1. \_\_\_\_\_ David sinned by taking something that didn’t belong to him—another man’s wife.
2. \_\_\_\_\_ David confessed his sin right away without anyone telling him.
3. \_\_\_\_\_ Nathan was a prophet who brought God’s Word to David.
4. \_\_\_\_\_ When David confessed, Nathan said, “The LORD has put away your sin.”
5. \_\_\_\_\_ This story shows that some sins are too big to be forgiven.
6. \_\_\_\_\_ David tried to hide his sin instead of confessing it.
7. \_\_\_\_\_ God’s forgiveness means David had no more consequences at all.
8. \_\_\_\_\_ The story teaches us that God uses people to call others to repentance.
9. \_\_\_\_\_ Psalm 51 was written by David after this event, asking for mercy and cleansing.
10. \_\_\_\_\_ Even when we sin badly, God’s love and forgiveness are greater.

**Essay Question:**

Why is it important to confess your sins to God? What can we learn from how God forgave David, even after he did something very wrong?