

Prayer Focus

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Mark 4:26-29 (ESV) ²⁶ And he said, "The kingdom of God is as if a man should scatter seed on the ground. ²⁷ He sleeps and rises night and day, and the seed sprouts and grows; he knows not how. ²⁸ The earth produces by itself, first the blade, then the ear, then the full grain in the ear. ²⁹ But when the grain is ripe, at once he puts in the sickle, because the harvest has come." *See also Isaiah 55:10-11 and Matthew 9:37-38*

Pray the LORD increases our harvest & keeps us ready to work our field.

GROW Discipleship Groups (Ages 13+)

- **Ladies:** Sun April 11th 6:00pm at Jennifer Dean's home (Text [205-810-1270](tel:205-810-1270) for directions)
- **Men:** Wed April 21st 6:30pm at Agape

Upcoming Events

Contact for more details
info@agapepinson.com

Spring Offering 2021 - March 21st to May 16th. This year 15% of the offering will go to support missions & our adoption fund. The remainder will be put toward special building projects such as a new church sign, new carpet in the sanctuary, and music ministry needs. (Checks or online giving should be marked as **Spring Offering 2021**)

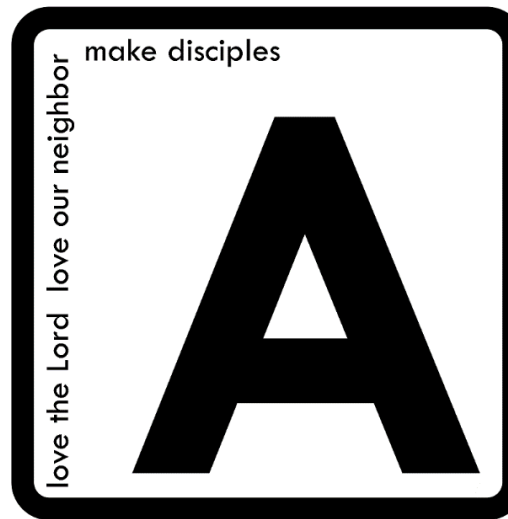
LEAD - Sunday April 18th 5pm at Agape. LEAD is a gathering for men that focuses on development of leaders in the church and home.

Giving

If the LORD leads you to give as part of worship, you can do so through our **PayPal address** giving@agapepinson.com or by using the offering box in the main worship area.

BuildingUp Podcast <http://agapepinson.com/podcast/>

Latest Episode (#56): The Grace of Speechlessness. Romans 10:17, Galatians 3:5



Worship Service Guide April 11, 2021

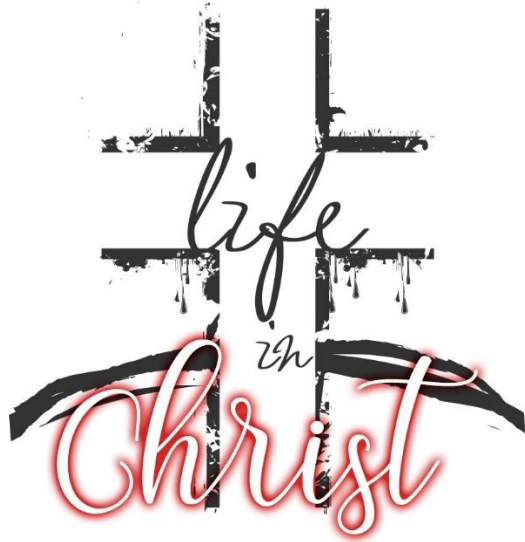
**A Reading From
Nehemiah 9 (ESV)**

¹ Now on the twenty-fourth day of this month the people of Israel were assembled with fasting and in sackcloth, & with earth on their heads..

³ And they stood up in their place and read from the Book of the Law of the LORD their God for a quarter of the day; for another quarter of it they made confession and worshiped the LORD their God.

⁶ "You are the LORD, you alone. You have made heaven, the heaven of heavens, with all their host, the earth and all that is on it, the seas and all that is in them; and you preserve all of them; and the host of heaven worships you. ⁷ You are the LORD, the God who chose Abram and brought him out of Ur of the Chaldeans and gave him the name Abraham...⁹ "And you saw the affliction of our fathers in Egypt and heard their cry at the Red Sea, ¹⁰ and performed signs and wonders against Pharaoh and all his servants and all the people of his land, for you knew that they acted arrogantly against our fathers.

¹⁶ "But they and our fathers acted presumptuously and stiffened their neck and did not obey your commandments. ¹⁷ They refused to obey and were not mindful of the wonders that you performed among them, but they stiffened their neck & appointed a leader to return to their slavery in Egypt. But you are a God ready to forgive, gracious and merciful, slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love, and did not forsake them. ³³ ...You have been righteous in all that has come upon us, for you have dealt faithfully and we have acted wickedly.



Life in Christ #14: Confession

1 John 1:5 - 2:1 (ESV) || David McConnell

⁵This is the message we have heard from him and proclaim to you, that God is light, and in him is no darkness at all. ⁶If we say we have fellowship with him while we walk in darkness, we lie and do not practice the truth. ⁷But if we walk in the light, as he is in the light, we have fellowship with one another, and the blood of Jesus his Son cleanses us from all sin. ⁸If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. ⁹If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness. ¹⁰If we say we have not sinned, we make him a liar, and his word is not in us. ¹My little children, I am writing these things to you so that you may not sin. But if anyone does sin, we have an advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ the righteous.

What is Sin? It is a turning away from God by _____ His _____ in our behavior, attitude, and nature.

What happens when a Christian sins?

- Our _____ before God is unchanged. (Rom 4:4-5; 8:1, 39)
 - We remain _____ of any charge against us.
 - We remain a _____ of God, _____ loved by Him.
- Our _____ with God is disrupted. (1 John 3:21-24)
 - We _____ the Holy Spirit. (Eph 4:29-31)
 - We lose _____ in Kingdom work. (John 15:4-7)
 - We invite the _____ of our Father. (Rev 3:19)
 - We do _____ to our well-being. (1 Peter 2:11)

What does Confession involve? (Nehemiah 9, Matt 6:12)

- A _____ on the _____ of God and His works.
- An admittance of _____ and its _____ in our lives.
- A _____ of our self, asking for _____ from the LORD.
- A reorienting of our _____ through _____.
- A _____ from the Spirit, giving us _____ from the effects of sin.

Life-Question: Does my heart show _____ of clinging to Christ, my _____, through daily _____ of sin?

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Sunday Livestream: agapepinson.com/live

Follow-up with a pastor: 205-810-1270 (text or call)

Ask to receive our weekly emails: info@agapepinson.com