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Please turn to Nehemiah 9:1-39, page 348, in our pew Bibles.

Our Fallen Condition: We are prone to wander from God and then eventually confess our sin.

Main Point: We should confess our sin but that's not all we should confess. We need to also confess who God is and what He has done.

Word Study: The Hebrew for confession, "yada," means to express praise, give thanks, extol, make a public confession, make an admission. It is not confined to sin. It is simply agreeing with God or telling the truth about a matter.

Questions and Ideas for Discussion

- When studying the Bible, ask yourself two questions: What does this passage say about me and my sin? What does this passage say about God & His redeeming love for me?
- 2 Think of something God has done for you lately. How does this point to something God has revealed about Himself in scripture?
- 3 As you reflect on your worship in singing today at church, what do you want to confess about who God is and what He has done?
- 4 How does being part of a Christian community give you a safe place to confess your sin or confess what you are learning about God?
- 5 What negative and sinful patterns from your family history is God breaking for you? How can you confess this to Him? To others?

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