



REFLECTIONS  
on  
REPENTANCE

# REVEALING OUR SINFUL NATURE



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### Midweek 5 – Revealing Our Sinful Nature

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## Reflections on Repentance

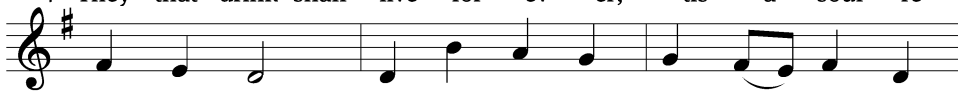
### Revealing Our Sinful Nature

#### Come to Calvary's Holy Mountain

CW 394



1 Come to Cal - v'ry's ho - ly moun - tain, sin - ners, ru - ined  
2 Come in pov - er - ty and mean - ness, come de - filed, with -  
3 Come in sor - row and con - tri - tion, wound - ed, par - a -  
4 They that drink shall live for - ev - er; 'tis a soul - re -



by the fall; here a pure and heal - ing foun - tain  
out, with - in; from in - fec - tion and un - clean - ness,  
lyzed, and blind; here the guilt - y, free re - mis - sion,  
new - ing flood. God is faith - ful; God will nev - er



flows to you, to me, to all, in a full, per -  
from the lep - ro - sy of sin, wash your robes and  
here the trou - bled, peace may find. Health this foun - tain  
break his cov - e - nant of blood, signed when our Re -



pet - ual tide, o - pened when our Sav - ior died.  
make them white; you shall walk with God in light.  
will re - store; they that drink shall thirst no more.  
deem - er died, sealed when he was glo - ri - fied.

*Stand*

## **Invocation**

In the name of the Father and of the † Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**Amen.**

## **Confession of Sins**

Our help is in the name of the Lord,

**the maker of heaven and earth.**

Let us confess our sins in the presence of God and of one another.

Almighty God, our heavenly Father,

**we have sinned against you in our thoughts, in our words, in our deeds, and in all that we have not done. Forgive us in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ. Deliver and restore us, that we may rest in peace.**

By the mercy of God we are redeemed by Jesus Christ, and in him we are forgiven. Let us rest in his peace until the rising of the sun, when we shall serve him in newness of life.

**Amen.**

*Be seated*

# Be Merciful, O Lord

Psalm 51A

Sung in unison by congregation

## Refrain



## Tone

Have mercy on / me, O God,  
according to your un- / failing love;  
according to your great com- / passion  
blot out my trans- / gressions.

Wash away all my in- / iquity  
and cleanse me / from my sin.  
For I know my trans- / gressions,  
and my sin is always be- / fore me. *Refrain*

Against you, you only, / have I sinned  
and done what is evil / in your sight.  
Surely I was sin- / ful at birth,  
sinful from the time my mother con- / ceived me.

Cleanse me with hyssop, and I / will be clean;  
wash me, and I will be whit- / er than snow.  
Hide your face / from my sins  
and blot out all my in- / iquity.

Glory be to the Father and / to the Son  
and to the Holy / Spirit,  
as it was in the be- / ginning,  
is now, and will be forever. / Amen. *Refrain*

## Psalm Prayer

Lord, we confess our sins to you and plead for your mercy. We acknowledge that sin runs too deep in our nature for us ever to rid ourselves of it, but we thank you that Jesus has done what we could not do, washing us clean of every stain. We plead that your Spirit would give us the strength to live a new life; through Christ our Lord.

**Amen.**

## Passion Reading

*Luke 23:1–25*

<sup>1</sup>Then the whole assembly rose and led him off to Pilate. <sup>2</sup>And they began to accuse him, saying, “We have found this man subverting our nation. He opposes payment of taxes to Caesar and claims to be Messiah, a king.”

<sup>3</sup>So Pilate asked Jesus, “Are you the king of the Jews?”

“You have said so,” Jesus replied.

<sup>4</sup>Then Pilate announced to the chief priests and the crowd, “I find no basis for a charge against this man.”

<sup>5</sup>But they insisted, “He stirs up the people all over Judea by his teaching. He started in Galilee and has come all the way here.”

<sup>6</sup>On hearing this, Pilate asked if the man was a Galilean. <sup>7</sup>When he learned that Jesus was under Herod’s jurisdiction, he sent him to Herod, who was also in Jerusalem at that time.

<sup>8</sup>When Herod saw Jesus, he was greatly pleased, because for a long time he had been wanting to see him. From what he had heard about him, he hoped to see him perform a sign of some sort. <sup>9</sup>He plied him with many questions, but Jesus gave him no answer. <sup>10</sup>The chief priests and the teachers of the law were standing there, vehemently accusing him. <sup>11</sup>Then Herod and his soldiers ridiculed and mocked him. Dressing him in an elegant robe, they sent him back to Pilate. <sup>12</sup>That day Herod and Pilate became friends—before this they had been enemies.

<sup>13</sup>Pilate called together the chief priests, the rulers and the people, <sup>14</sup>and said to them, “You brought me this man as one who was inciting the people to rebellion. I have examined him in your presence and have found no basis for your charges against him. <sup>15</sup>Neither has Herod, for he sent him back to us; as you can see, he has done nothing to deserve death. <sup>16</sup>Therefore, I will punish him and then release him.”

<sup>18</sup>But the whole crowd shouted, “Away with this man! Release Barabbas to us!” <sup>19</sup>(Barabbas had been thrown into prison for an insurrection in the city, and for murder.)

<sup>20</sup>Wanting to release Jesus, Pilate appealed to them again. <sup>21</sup>But they kept shouting, “Crucify him! Crucify him!”

<sup>22</sup>For the third time he spoke to them: “Why? What crime has this man committed? I have found in him no grounds for the death penalty. Therefore I will have him punished and then release him.”

<sup>23</sup>But with loud shouts they insistently demanded that he be crucified, and their shouts prevailed. <sup>24</sup>So Pilate decided to grant their demand. <sup>25</sup>He released the man who had been thrown into prison for insurrection and murder, the one they asked for, and surrendered Jesus to their will.

## In the Hour of Trial

CW 406



1 In the hour of tri - al, Je - sus, plead for me  
2 With for - bid - den plea - sures should this vain world charm  
3 Should your mer - cy send me sor - row, toil, and woe,  
4 When my life is end - ing, though in grief or pain,



lest by base de - ni - al I un - wor - thy be.  
or its tempt - ing trea - sures spread to work me harm,  
or should pain at - tend me on my path be - low,  
when my bod - y chang - es back to dust a - gain,



When you see me wa - ver, with a look re - call,  
bring to my re - mem - brance sad Geth - sem - a - ne  
grant that I may nev - er fail your cross to view;  
on your truth re - ly - ing, through that mor - tal strife,



nor for fear or fa - vor ev - er let me fall.  
or, in dark - er sem - blance, cross - crowned Cal - va - ry.  
grant that I may ev - er cast my care on you.  
Je - sus, take me, dy - ing, to e - ter - nal life.

## Sermon

Psalm 51:5 Revealing Our Sinful Nature

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Stand

## Prayer

God, our Father, by the sacrifice of your Son you reconciled the world to yourself.

**We thank you for the precious gift of forgiveness. Refresh us with the joy of salvation, that we may walk in the way of peace with our brothers and sisters in Christ.**

Renew our minds and wills, that daily we may speak your word of peace; through Jesus Christ our Savior, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**Amen.**

## Lord's Prayer

**Our Father in heaven,  
hallowed be your name,  
your kingdom come,  
your will be done  
on earth as in heaven.  
Give us today our daily bread.  
Forgive us our sins,  
as we forgive those  
who sin against us.  
Lead us not into temptation,  
but deliver us from evil.  
For the kingdom, the power,  
and the glory are yours  
now and forever. Amen.**

## Blessing

Go in peace. Christ Jesus has set you free.

Thanks be to God.

## Luther's Morning and Evening Prayer

CW 782 sts. 1b-2



1 I thank you, heav'n-ly Fa - ther, thro' Je - sus, your dear Son,  
2 I trust my soul and bod - y in - to your lov - ing hands.



that gra - cious - ly you kept me while dai - ly tasks were done.  
All things that I en - coun - ter I leave to your good plans.



I pray that you for - give me for all my sins and wrongs,  
Send me your ho - ly an - gel to rout the e - vil one



and in your love con - tin - ue to keep me all night long.  
and crush his dread - ful pow - ers. A - men. Your will be done.

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