

Stop Hiding What God Already Knows

Handout

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Core Truth

Satan is convincing you to make life harder than it ought to be.

You are struggling because you are trying to hide things from God.

God already knows:

- your sin
- your thoughts
- your struggles

So the question is:

Why are you still hiding?

1. Hiding Started in the Garden (Genesis 3:7–13)

Adam and Eve sinned. Then they:

- covered themselves
- hid from God
- shifted blame

God asked, “Where are you?” Not for information. For confession.

Key Insight: The problem was not just sin. The problem was hiding.

Pattern of the Flesh

- Sin
- Hiding
- Distance
- Exhaustion

Supporting Scriptures

- Proverbs 28:13 → Covering sin blocks mercy
- Psalm 32:3–5 → Silence produces inner pain
- Luke 12:2 → Nothing hidden stays hidden

2. God Wants Confession, Not Perfection (1 John 1:9)

Your part → Confess

God’s part → Forgive and cleanse

What Confession Means

- stop excusing
- stop hiding
- agree with God
- speak truth

What Confession Produces

- forgiveness
- cleansing
- grace
- healing

Key Scriptures

- Psalm 51:6 → God desires truth within
- James 4:6 → Grace comes to the humble
- James 5:16 → Confession leads to healing

Key Statement: God is not waiting for you to be perfect. He is waiting for you to be honest.

3. You Cannot Hide from God (Hebrews 4:13)

All things are open before Him.

God Already Sees

- your sin
- your motives
- your struggles
- your wounds

Supporting Scriptures

- Psalm 139:7–12 → No place to hide
- Jeremiah 23:24 → God fills all places
- Job 34:21 → He sees every step

Key Insight: You are not hiding from God. You are hiding from healing.

4. The Throne Is Not a Courtroom (Hebrews 4:15–16)

You are invited to come boldly.

What You Will Find

- mercy
- grace
- help

Who You Are Approaching

- a Savior who understands
- a High Priest who intercedes
- a Father who welcomes

Supporting Scriptures

- Romans 8:1 → No condemnation
- Psalm 103:13–14 → God knows your weakness

- Isaiah 53:3 → Christ understands suffering

Key Insight: God's knowledge of you is not a threat. It is your safety.

5. The Prodigal Son Shows the Way Back (Luke 15:17–20)

The son:

- came to himself
- acknowledged his sin
- returned to the father

The Father's Response

- ran to him
- embraced him
- restored him

Key Insight: He expected rejection. He found restoration.

Supporting Scriptures

- Micah 7:18–19 → God delights in mercy
- Joel 2:13 → God is gracious and merciful

6. Confession Begins Transformation (Romans 10:9)

Salvation begins with confession.

Confession is not the end. It is the beginning.

Transformation starts when truth is spoken.

Final Call (James 5:16)

Confess... that you may be healed.

Ask Yourself

- What are you hiding?
- What are you carrying?
- What are you avoiding?

Truth to Remember

- What you hide, God will expose
- What you confess, God will cleanse

Final Statements

- Hiding prolongs pain
- Confession begins healing
- Restoration begins when hiding ends

Closing

Every moment you delay repentance, you choose distance from God.

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Do not delay. Confess it. Lay it down.

Receive:

- mercy
- grace
- restoration

The moment you stop hiding is the moment God starts restoring.

Stop Hiding What God Already Knows!

Discussion Questions

1. What are common ways people hide from God today?
2. Why do you think confession is difficult for many believers?
3. How does pride prevent honest confession?
4. What happens when sin is left unconfessed?
5. How does understanding God's mercy change your willingness to confess?
6. What does it mean to 'come boldly' to God?
7. How can you practice daily confession in your life?
8. What is one area in your life where you need to stop hiding?