

# In Biblical Community We Confess Sin to One Another— James 5:16

Confess your sins to one another (James 5:16a).

Pray for one another (James 5:16b).

## **Questions for Discussion & Application:**

1. What was surprising, challenging, or helpful from this study of God's Word?
2. When have you felt comfortable sharing a real struggle with someone else?  
What was it about this person that made you feel safe?
3. What could make sharing struggles with other Christians difficult?
4. What are some of the many benefits that we experience when we confess sin and struggles to one another?
5. How have you personally experienced some of these benefits in your own life?
6. On a scale of 1-10, how much anxiety/fear do you feel about this topic (10 being scared to death)?
7. What excuses might we use to justify not confessing sin to one another?
8. What things could your Community Group do to make it easier for people to share honestly with one other?

9. If someone shares a struggle with sin or temptation during your Community Group, how should the group respond? What could be done to help this person right away?

10. Are you the kind of person that others feel comfortable confessing sin and struggles to? Why? Why not?

**Additional Questions for Personal Reflection:**

1. Is there anything specific that you are struggling with now that the Lord would have you to share with another?

2. Do you have a brother or sister in Christ within our church family that you can share this with?

3. Why should the Gospel and the confidence that you are not condemned because of Christ, give you greater courage to talk to someone about your struggle?