

**Mae Culpa! Mae Culpa! - Psalm 79**  
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**HOW TO CONFESS YOUR SINS TO GOD...**

**1. TELL HIM \_\_\_\_\_ OF YOUR SIN**

**Vs 1-4 (NLT)** O God, pagan nations have conquered your land, your special possession. They have defiled your holy Temple and made Jerusalem a heap of ruins. They have left the bodies of your servants as food for the birds of heaven. The flesh of your godly ones has become food for the wild animals. **Blood** has flowed like water all around Jerusalem; no one is left to bury the dead. We are mocked by our neighbors, an object of scorn and derision to those around us.

**2. ASK HIM TO \_\_\_\_\_ THE ENTICEMENTS**

**Vs 5-7** O Lord, how long will you be angry with us? Forever? How long will your jealousy burn like fire? Pour out your wrath on the nations that refuse to acknowledge you—on kingdoms that do not call upon your name. For they have devoured your people Israel, making the land a desolate wilderness.

**3. ASK HIM FOR \_\_\_\_\_**

**Vs 8-10** Do not hold us guilty for the sins of our ancestors! Let your compassion quickly meet our needs, for we are on the brink of despair. Help us, O God of our salvation! Help us for the glory of your name. Save us and forgive our sins for the honor of your name. Why should pagan nations be allowed to scoff, asking, Where is their God? Show us your vengeance against the nations, for they have spilled the **blood** of your servants.

**Hebrews 9:22 (NLT)** In fact, according to the law of Moses, nearly everything was purified with blood. For without the shedding of **blood**, there is no forgiveness.

**1 John 1:9 (NLT)** But if we confess our sins to him, he is faithful and just to forgive us our sins...

**4. ASK HIM FOR \_\_\_\_\_**

**Vs 11-12** Listen to the moaning of the prisoners. Demonstrate your great power by saving those condemned to die. O Lord, pay back our neighbors seven times for the scorn they have hurled at you.

**1 John 1:9 (NLT)** But if we confess our sins to him, he is faithful and just to forgive us our sins and to **cleanse us from all wickedness.**

**5. \_\_\_\_\_ YOUR LIFE TO GOD**

**Vs 13** Then we your people, the sheep of your pasture, will thank you forever and ever, praising your greatness from generation to generation.

**Jeremiah 29:11 (NIV)** I know the plans I have for you declares the Lord; plans to prosper you not to harm you, plans to give you hope and a future.