

PENTECOST METHODIST CHURCH

LIVE-IT-OUT GUIDE

Sermon Date: 08/05/2022

Text(s): Nehemiah 9

Sermon Title: Confession

Preacher: Ps Isaac Tan

(The sermon recording is available in the PMC website and MyPMC App)

READ (5 mins)

Take the time and read **Nehemiah 9:6–21** together in your own bibles.

RELATE (30 mins)

(Relate to what was shared and on key themes in the sermon)

- 1. In Nehemiah 9 we see the people coming together for corporate worship. There was the public reading of God’s Word and renewal of the covenant. What aspects of corporate worship do you enjoy that you would make the effort to participate in on-site worship services?**
- 2. The confession of the national sins of Israel was a corporate confession, but it was also personal. How can something public be personal? Mustn’t it be private in order to be personal? Isn’t it easier to just make confessions at home in private?**

REFLECT (30 mins)

(Reflect and apply God’s word to our daily lives)

- 1. In the sermon there is this important point that confession is formation, not transaction. What is a transaction? Why can’t our confessions be purely transactional?**
- 2. The final point of the sermon is confession leads to repentance, not remorse. What is the difference between confession to God and the typical confession of this world? What happens to us when we confess to God?**

REST (15 mins)

(Take time to share and pray for one another)

(Pray for our church, our nation, and our world. See MyPMC > PRAY for monthly guide)

- Pray for one another to have the boldness to confess God and also our wrongs in public so that the burden of sin may be taken away from our hearts.
- Pray for our church to be a people who will pursue God and truly love Him, thereby avoiding the mistake of making confessions that are purely transactional but experiencing confessions that are transformational.
- Pray for the MCS to continue to be strong and stable, able to meet needs in Singapore, and to stand out as a true witness of Christ Jesus.