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A Panoramic View of Naomi Mine Entrance, the Tipple, and the Houses of Miners Who Are Entombed, near Fayette City, Pa.

Large Tanks of Oxygen Are Carried Into Naomi Mine by Band of Rescuers, Amid Cheers of Great Crowd---Four Americans Are in the Pit

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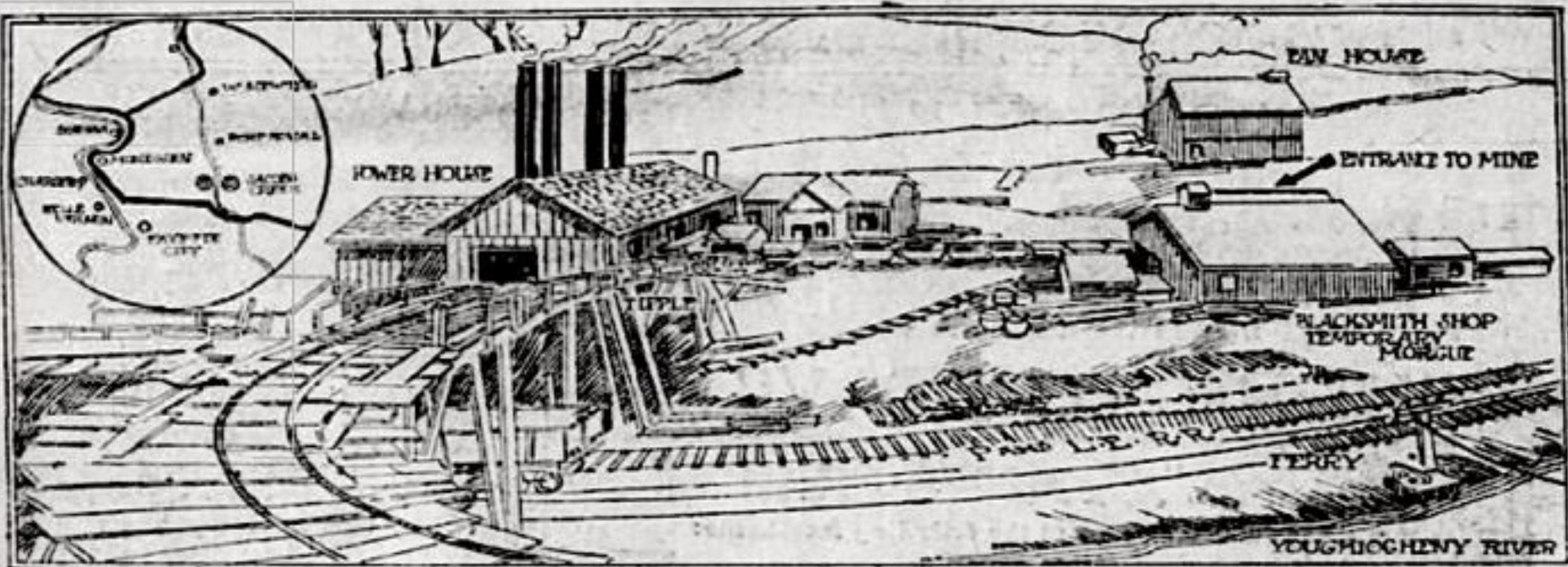
Fayette City, Pa., December 2.—Held back by the fumes of poisonous gases generated by the explosion, the rescuers seeking to reach their 50 entombed comrades in the Naomi mine, near here, are facing a dread and seemingly insurmountable task.

The rescuers are working with a zest that will admit no defeat, but it is now certain that the shades of night will have been wrapped about the gruesome place of death before all of the men, many of whom are supposed to be buried in scattered sections of the workings, are reached. It is not expected that any will be brought to the surface alive. Already the rescuers have probed into 22 entries and but one body has been found. They searched over a mile and a half of leads and but nine entries remain to be penetrated.

WAITING FOR SAD NEWS



CROWD ABOUT THE NAOMI MINE WHICH WAITED ALL LAST NIGHT AND THIS MORNING FOR WORD FROM ENTOMBED FRIENDS.



SKETCH OF THE ENVIRONS OF WRECKED DARR MINE AT JACOBS CREEK.

Whoever commits sin also commits lawlessness, and sin is lawlessness.

1 Jn. 3:4



LOST HUSBAND AND TWO SONS



No. 1—Joe Kroboth, aged 19.
No. 2—George Kroboth, aged 16.
No. 3—George Kroboth, Sr.



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Therefore, when they had gathered together, Pilate said to them, “Whom do you want me to release to you? Barabbas, or Jesus who is called Christ?”

Matthew 27:17



But the chief priests and elders persuaded the multitudes that they should ask for Barabbas and destroy Jesus.

Matthew 27:20



ANOTHER GREAT MINE DISASTER

DARR MINE WRECKED

400 KILLED





STEPS TO
CHRIST

CHAPTER 4

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If you have given
offense to your
friend or neighbor,
you are to
acknowledge your
wrong, and it is his
duty freely to
forgive you.

SC. 37.3

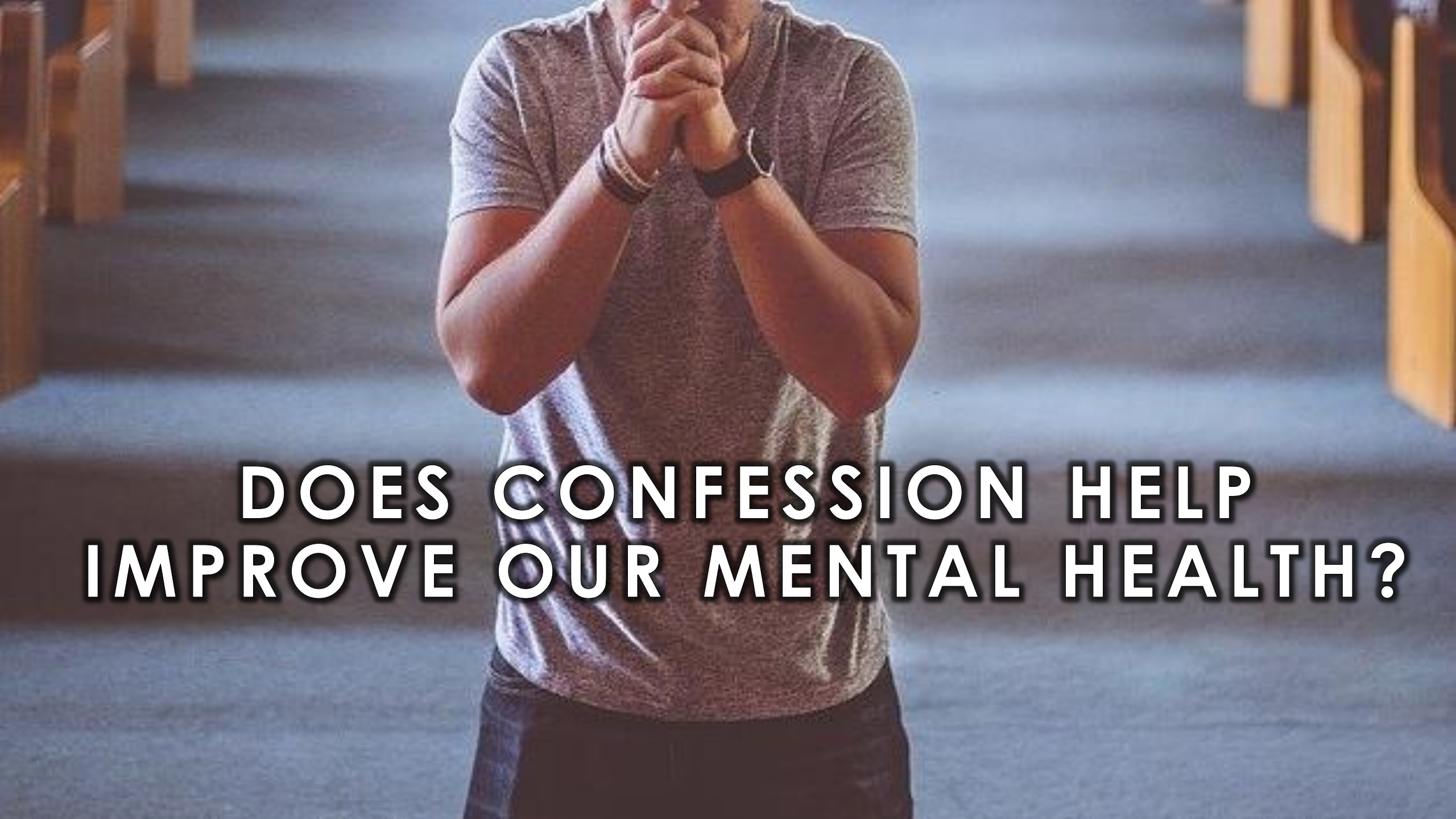
STEPS TO

CHRIST

He who covers his sins will not prosper, But whoever confesses and forsakes *them* will have mercy.

Proverbs 28:13





**DOES CONFESSION HELP
IMPROVE OUR MENTAL HEALTH?**

...once we write about our upheavals, we tend to ruminate about them less, freeing us up to focus on other things. My colleagues and I have shown that people become more socially engaged in the weeks immediately following expressive writing exercises.

Dozens of studies have also shown that expressive writing is linked to less stress and improved sleep and cardiovascular function. We know that better sleep is associated with enhanced immune function and better general health—which correlate with better mental health, too.

<https://www.scientificamerican.com/article/does-confessing-secrets-improve-our-mental-health/>

A close-up, low-angle shot of a person's legs. They are wearing blue denim jeans and brown leather boots with a distinctive tread pattern on the soles. The person is standing on a wooden plank that has a bright yellow safety stripe running horizontally across it. The background is a plain, light-colored wall.

STEP 1

Confess to one another

Confess *your* trespasses to one another, and pray for one another, that you may be healed. The effective, fervent prayer of a righteous man avails much.

James 5:16



A close-up, low-angle shot of a person's legs and feet as they descend a set of stairs. The person is wearing green cargo pants and brown leather boots with white soles. The stairs have grey treads and yellow-painted edges. The lighting is dramatic, with strong shadows and highlights.

STEP 2

Confess to God

I acknowledged my sin to You,
And my iniquity I have not hidden.
I said, "I will confess my
transgressions to the LORD,"
And You forgave the iniquity of my
sin. *Selah*

Psalm 32:5



HUMBLE

YOURSELF



The LORD *is* near to those who have
a broken heart, And saves such
as have a contrite spirit.

Psalm 34:18





STEP 3

Be Specific

‘And it shall be, when he is guilty in any of these *matters*, that he shall confess that he has sinned in that *thing*;

Leviticus 5:5



**PUBLIC SIN SHOULD
BE PUBLICALLY
CONFESSED.**

**PRIVATE SIN SHOULD
BE PRIVATELY
CONFESSED.**





STEP 4

Make Things Right

if the wicked restores the pledge, gives back what he has stolen, and walks in the statutes of life without committing iniquity, he shall surely live; he shall not die.

Ezekiel 33:15



A close-up, low-angle shot of a person's feet on a set of stairs. The person is wearing dark blue jeans and brown leather boots with white soles. The stairs are made of grey concrete with yellow-painted wooden treads. The lighting is dramatic, with strong shadows and highlights. In the bottom left corner, there is a white text overlay on a dark orange background.

STEP 5

Beware of False Confession

Then the man said, “The woman whom You gave *to be with me*, she gave me of the tree, and I ate.”

Genesis 3:12



And the LORD God said to the woman, “What *is* this you have done?”

The woman said, “The serpent deceived me, and I ate.”

Genesis 3:12



A close-up, low-angle shot of a person's legs as they descend a staircase. The person is wearing bright green cargo pants and brown leather boots with white soles. The staircase has grey concrete steps and bright yellow handrails. The lighting is dramatic, with strong shadows and highlights on the steps and handrails.

STEP 6

Acknowledge Who We Are

“Two men went up to the temple to pray, one a Pharisee and the other a tax collector.

Luke 18:10



The Pharisee stood and prayed thus with himself, 'God, I thank You that I am not like other men— extortioners, unjust, adulterers, or even as this tax collector.

Luke 18:11



**I fast twice a week; I give tithes of
all that I possess.'**

Luke 18:12



And the tax collector, standing afar off, would not so much as raise *his* eyes to heaven, but beat his breast, saying, 'God, be merciful to me a sinner!'

Luke 18:13



I tell you, this man went down to his house justified *rather* than the other; for everyone who exalts himself will be humbled, and he who humbles himself will be exalted.”

Luke 18:14





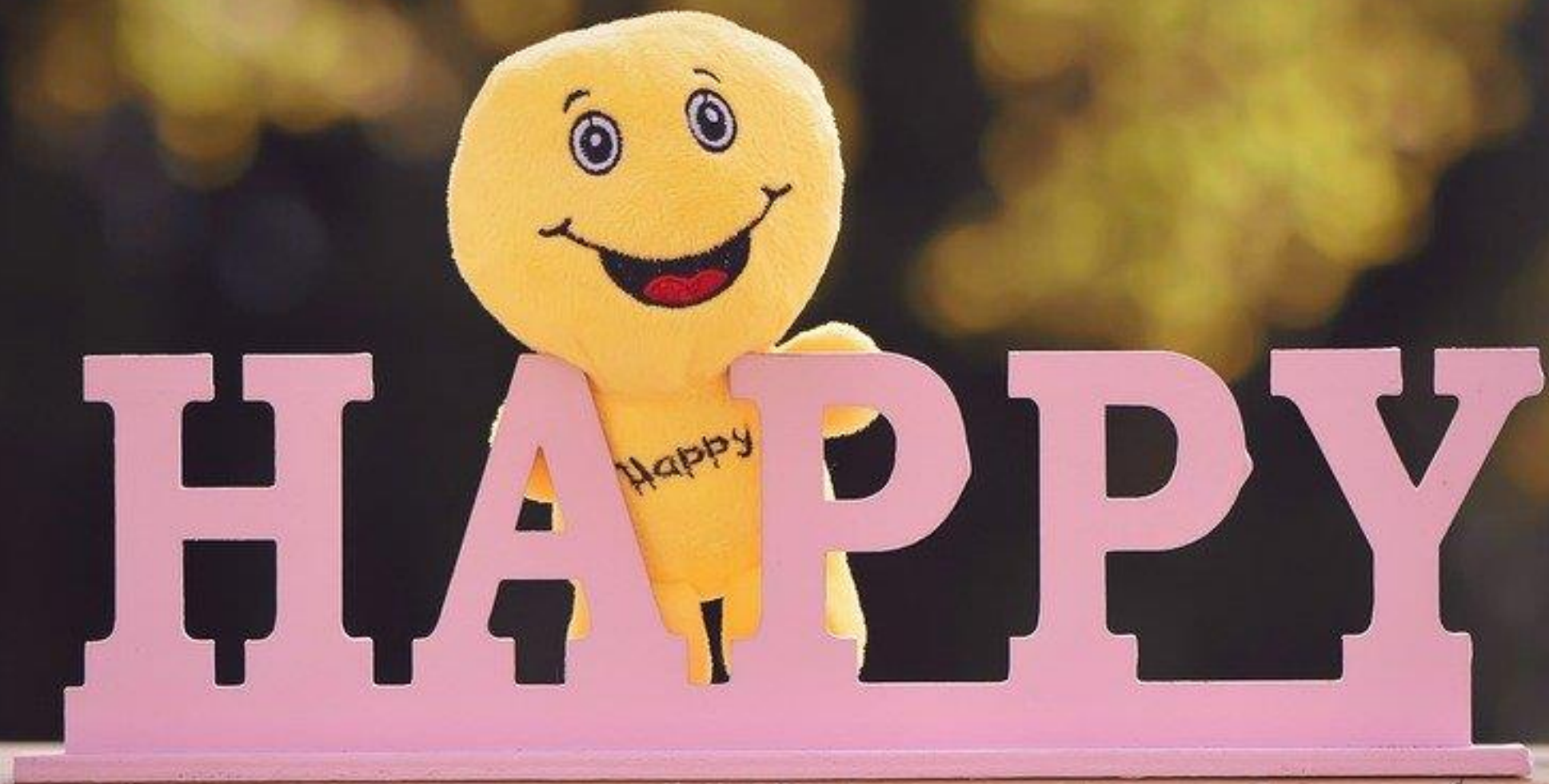
STEP 7

Accept the Forgiveness

If we confess our sins, He is faithful and just to forgive us *our* sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

1 John 1:9





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A scenic landscape with a sun rising over mountains and a valley. The sun is bright and low on the horizon, casting a warm glow over the scene. The mountains are in the background, and the valley is filled with green trees and fields. The sky is blue with some clouds.

Closing Hymn - #343
**I WILL SING OF MY
REDEEMER**

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