

## About Confessing Sins

**If you choose** to confess a sin to another person, that is ok, but it is **not necessary**. They have plenty of their own sins to **worry about**.

It is **very important** to know that **no man ( person )** has the *AUTHORITY* to forgive your sins.

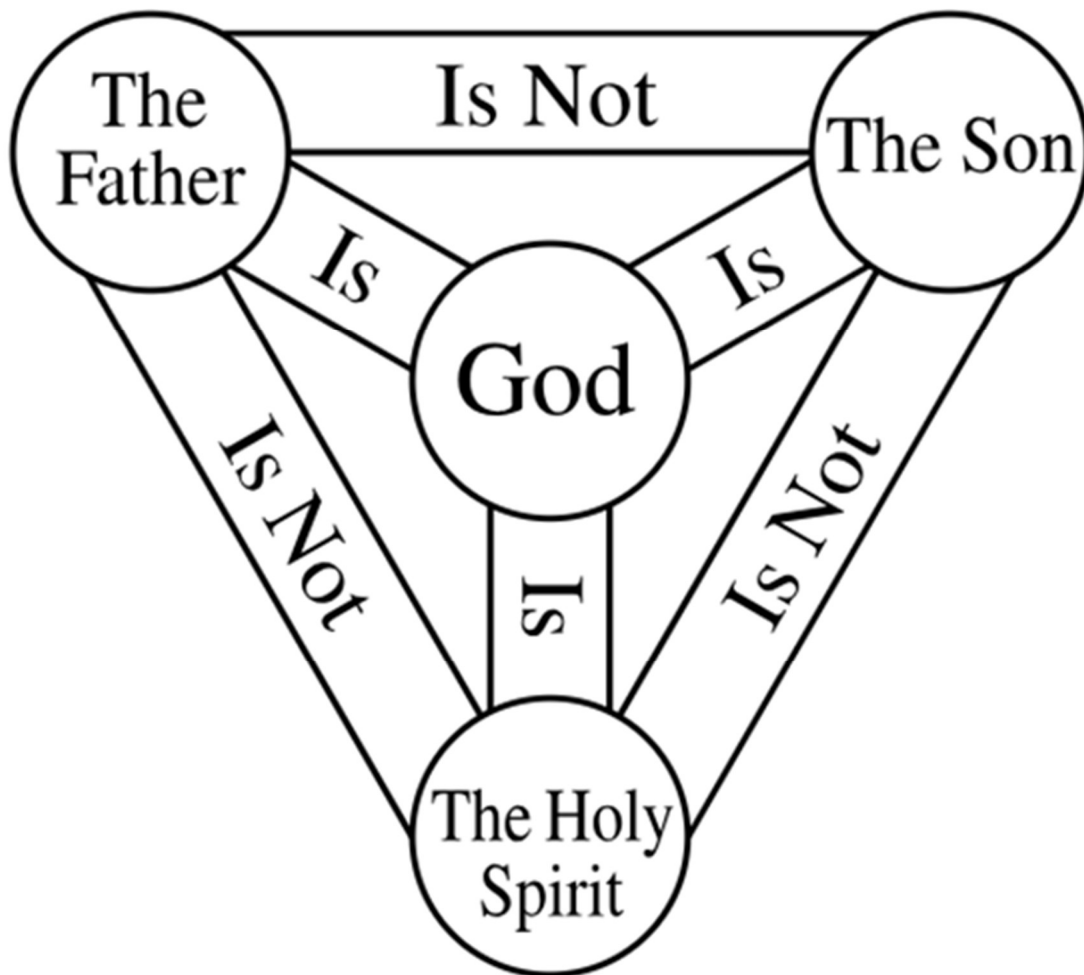
***Except** for personal sins **when asking Forgiveness for a wrong done to the person being asked.***

**Forgiveness of any sin** can only come from **God through Jesus**. Because your **sin was against God** *before* your sin was against any other person.

And it is **important** that you **do not** get confused by this...

**Jesus IS God**. But our sins are forgiven *through* the *sacrifice* **Jesus** made when He died on the *cross and rose again 3 days later*.

All 3 are Separate Individuals All 3 are One God



All 3 Glorify Each Other

**Do not try** to figure all of this out. Our human brains **cannot comprehend** something **so Infinite and Great**.

This **image** is meant to **help** you, but it **will not** give you the **key** to **understanding God**.

For *there is* **one God** and **one Mediator** between God and men, ***the Man Christ Jesus***, [ *do not get confused, Jesus IS both Man and God. And, when you pray, you should ask all things in the name of Jesus.* ]

[ *Interjections in brackets* ] **1 Timothy 2:5 NKJV**

You can speak directly to God any time you want. **He never sleeps** and He is always able to hear you. ***He knows your every thought.*** You never need *anyone* to mediate between you and God.

But, if you have committed a sin against someone, confess it to that person and **sincerely** ask their **forgiveness**.

Therefore if you bring your gift to the altar, and there **remember that your brother has something against you**, leave your gift there before the altar, and go your way. **First** be **reconciled** [ *apologize* ] **to your brother, and then come and offer your gift.**

[ *Interjections in brackets* ] **Matthew 5:23-24 NKJV**

But you **cannot force** them to **forgive you**. If they do not forgive you, that is between ***them*** and ***God***.

If ***you ask*** God, ***He will*** forgive **you**.  
And that is all the forgiveness you need.

Also important:

**You CANNOT EARN forgiveness**  
for any sin by ***DOING anyTHING***.

Not even *repeating words of a prayer or standing in a corner for 15 minutes per sin*.

Writing ***I will not sin*** 500 times for each sin is a *waste of time and paper*.

The **good news** is that **you are already forgiven**.

You just need to *confess the sin to God*. Then ask Him to **forgive you**.

**And** immediately **you can know** *with confidence* that **He has forgiven you**.

**And IF you are truly** sorry for sinning, you will *at least not want to do it again*.