

# Confession and Assurance – We Look to Jesus

God, we confess our evil deeds,  
our impatience, our complaints,  
our disrespect for your appointed leaders.  
Our sins are killing us. Only you can save us.  
By faith, we look to Jesus, the one you lifted up  
so that we might not perish but have eternal life.  
Teach us to trust that you desire not to condemn  
but to save us and free us to live in the light of your presence  
rather than to cower in the darkness of sin. Amen.

*(Read in unison)*

We were dead through the sin in which we once lived,  
but God has made us alive together with Christ Jesus,  
recreated us for good works,  
which were prepared beforehand to be our way of life.  
We pledge to live so that those who are dying from their sins  
can see the love and grace of Jesus shining in our lives.

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