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Colossians 2:13-15 (NLT)

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⁵ Finally, I confessed all my sins to you and stopped trying to hide my guilt. I said to myself, "I will confess my rebellion to the LORD."

Psalm 32:5 (NLT)

⁹ ...If you confess with your mouth that Jesus is Lord and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved.

Romans 10:9 (ESV)

2. Accept his **FORGIVENESS** for my **MISTAKES**.

⁹ If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just and will forgive us our sins and purify us from all unrighteousness.

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3. **INVITE** Him to **LEAD** all of me.

⁸ Lead me in the right path, O LORD, or my enemies will conquer me. Make your way plain for me to follow... ¹¹ But let all who take refuge in you rejoice; let them sing joyful praises forever. Spread your protection over them, that all who love your name may be filled with joy. ¹² For you bless the godly, O LORD; you surround them with your shield of love.

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