



Confessing is a painful business. It involves reflecting deeply on who we are and overcoming who we pretend to be. Come before God and tell Him where you have fallen short. Be specific. What is His response? Is it like you imagined?

What does the cross mean to you? How has Christ's sacrifice affected your whole being?

Look a little closer at the images; does one speak to you and where you are at in your walk with God? What is the Lord saying through that?

You may like to thank Him for the forgiveness you have in Christ, and ask for help and strength to turn away from future temptations.



You have plenty of reasons to be thankful. Thank God for His love, His faithfulness, His patience and a million other things.

Express gratitude for what He's doing in your life. As you do this you may like to add some material to the koru before you. Reflect on how the threads God weaves in your life are all a symbol of newness. Of hope. Often we don't get to see where the green shoots of

are until after the season has passed.

Thank Jesus for the people, hardships and victories He has given you. Thank Him for dying. Thank the Holy Spirit for indwelling you, permanently. Thank Him for being your conscience, your counselor and that "still small voice." Keep adding strips to this beautiful tapestry as we thank God together - a body of many parts, all filled with Life.

new life

"MAKE YOUR REQUESTS KNOWN

ENCARI I NCA MEA KATOA
WHAKAATURIA KI TE ATUA NCA
MEA E MATEA AI E KOUTOU, I
RUNCA I TE KARAKIA, I TE INOI,
ME TE WHAKAWHETAI HOKI. -PHILIPPIANS 4:6

You have spent time considering the life of God in you - through adoring, confessing and thanking God. The Bible says that if we seek first the kingdom of God, He will give us the desires of our heart - because our heart will be aligned with His now!

- Matthew 6:33

So come to God with the desires, concerns, hopes of your heart. What is it you seek? Do you really think any of your requests are too big or even too small - to God the Creator who LOVES you?

Think through your needs, the needs of those you love (and those your don't!), the church family, this community, country and world: bring them before God.

You may like to add words

to the blackboard, and pray through what others have written. You can also write a personal prayer need and peg it to the wall. When you do this, take someone else's prayer need and commit to praying for it this week. Kia Kaha.

