Day 3

"But if they will confess their sins and the sins of their fathers . . . then when their uncircumcised hearts are humbled and they pay for their sin, I will remember my covenant." Lev. 26:40-42

God is REAL and His forgiveness is REAL, but we can receive it only when WE become real, accepting the truth of our sin and our need to confess it. Sinful parents birth us into a sinful world, and we are molded and infected by both. It is necessary and proper to confess the sins of our parents and culture, not because of what we did but because of who we are. Denying this truth is tempting but ultimately futile. However, in Christ WE NEED NOT PAY FOR OUR SIN – something we could never do – because Christ already has! This is why the "letter kills, but the Spirit gives life". The light of truth shining in confession is God's laser surgery, effective in killing the cancer of sin. Humble yourself in confession before God, and He will lift you up.