

## Has a Cloud Come Between?

1 Corinthians 11:25-34

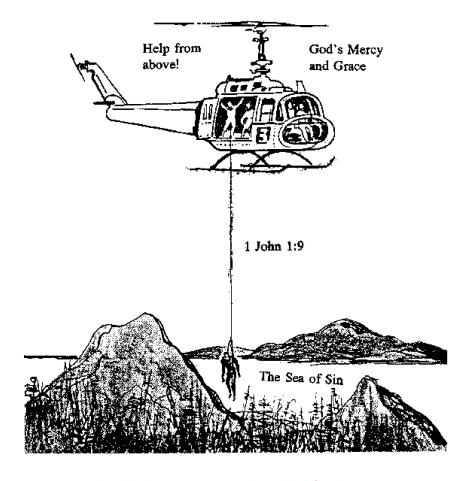
Has any cloud come between your soul and your Saviour? An incident is told of Spurgeon who suddenly stopped in the middle of the street he was crossing and prayed. [These were the days when streets were somewhat safer, populated with horses rather than automobiles.] When he reached the other side, his companion asked him, "Why did you stop to pray in the middle of the street?" Spurgeon replied, "A cloud came between my soul and Christ, and I could not let it remain there even long enough to reach the other side of the street."

How important it is for the believer not to allow anything to come between him and the Saviour! When something does come between, it is essential that the problem be dealt with promptly. "If we confess our sins, He is faithful and just to forgive us our sins, and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness" (1 John 1:9). God desires and delights to restore us to a right relationship and fellowship with Himself. David prayed, "Restore unto me the joy of Thy salvation" (Psalm 51:12). When David sinned, he did not lose his salvation, but he lost the enjoyment of it.

"Confess" means "to say the same thing," and thus to say the same thing about sin that God does, to agree with God that what we have done is sinful and heinous. David confessed when he said, "I acknowledge my transgressions...Against Thee, Thee only, have I sinned, and done this evil in Thy sight" (Psalm 51:4). Confession involves a frank, honest, open acknowledgment of wrong done. It is the opposite of denying our sin (1 John 1:8,10) or covering up our sin. Our loving Lord knows all about our sins and faults and failures. Nothing is hidden from Him. We need to come before Him openly and honestly. God has graciously provided for our recovery and our restoration. "Nothing between my soul and the Saviour!"

My great, my wise, my never-failing Friend,
Whose love no change can know, nor turn, nor end!
My Saviour-God! Who gavest Thy life for me
Let nothing come between my heart and Thee!

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Nothing between my soul and the Saviour, So that His blessed face may be seen; Nothing preventing the least of His favor, Keep the way clear! Let nothing between.

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