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For Sunday, June 19th
"The Simple Truth"

Deuteronomy 30:1-10 – *NIV*

When all these blessings and curses I have set before you come on you and you take them to heart wherever the Lord your God disperses you among the nations,² and when you and your children return to the Lord your God and obey him with all your heart and with all your soul according to everything I command you today,³ then the Lord your God will restore your fortunes and have compassion on you and gather you again from all the nations where he scattered you.⁴ Even if you have been banished to the most distant land under the heavens, from there the Lord your God will gather you and bring you back.⁵ He will bring you to the land that belonged to your ancestors, and you will take possession of it. He will make you more prosperous and numerous than your ancestors.⁶ The Lord your God will circumcise your hearts and the hearts of your descendants, so that you may love him with all your heart and with all your soul, and live.⁷ The Lord your God will put all these curses on your enemies who hate and persecute you.⁸ You will again obey the Lord and follow all his commands I am giving you today.⁹ Then the Lord your God will make you most prosperous in all the work of your hands and in the fruit of your womb, the young of your livestock and the crops of your land. The Lord will again delight in you and make you prosperous, just as he delighted in your ancestors,¹⁰ if you obey the Lord your God and keep his commands and decrees that are written in this Book of the Law and turn to the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul.

Romans 10:5-13– *NIV*

⁵ Moses writes this about the righteousness that is by the law: "The person who does these things will live by them."⁶ But the righteousness that is by faith says: "Do not say in your heart, 'Who will ascend into heaven?'" (that is, to bring Christ down)⁷ "or 'Who will descend into the deep?'" (that is, to bring Christ up from the dead).⁸ But what does it say? "The word is near you; it is in your mouth and in your heart," that is, the message concerning faith that we proclaim:⁹ If you declare with your mouth, "Jesus is Lord," and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved.¹⁰ For it is with your heart that you believe and are justified, and it is with your mouth that you profess your faith and are saved.¹¹ As Scripture says, "Anyone who believes in him will never be put to shame."¹² For there is no difference between Jew and Gentile—the same Lord is Lord of all and richly blesses all who call on him,¹³ for, "Everyone who calls on the name of the Lord will be saved."

Takeaway: We are made right with God through Jesus, and Jesus alone.

Questions:

1. Share about a time you needed help. Who did you ask? What was the most difficult part about asking?
2. What's the first thing that comes to mind when you hear the word "confession?" Why is confession an important part of the Christian faith?
3. Why might it be easier to confess that Jesus is Savior than it is to confess that He is Lord?

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