**REVIEW:** 

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**Psalm 66:18** If I regard iniquity in my heart, the Lord will not hear me:

- 1. Unrepentance vs. .
  - Notice the verse DOES NOT say that we can't have sin in our lives in order to be heard.

**1 John 1:8-10** If we say that we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. <sup>9</sup> If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just to forgive us our sins, and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness. <sup>10</sup> If we say that we have not sinned, we make him a liar, and his word is not in us.

- KEY: Regard = \_\_\_\_\_

  Do not excuse sin in your life.
- 2. Discern Christ's !

1 John 3:5 And ye know that he was manifested to take away our sins; and in him is no sin.

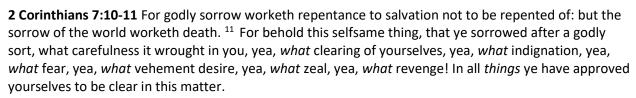
• Christ died to deliver you from sin.

To hold to sin in the face of Christ's sacrifice is wrong.

**Proverbs 15:8** The sacrifice of the wicked *is* an abomination to the LORD: but the prayer of the upright *is* his delight.

Unrepentant sin will close the doors of heaven to your prayer.

- 3. \_\_\_\_\_ the hindrance of sin.
  - KEY: agree with God and turn away from SIN! Repent.



**1 John 1:9** If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just to forgive us our sins, and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

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**Psalm 66:16-20** Come and hear, all ye that fear God, and I will declare what he hath done for my soul. <sup>17</sup> I cried unto him with my mouth, and he was extolled with my tongue. <sup>18</sup> If I regard iniquity in my heart, the Lord will not hear me: <sup>19</sup> **But verily God hath heard me**; he hath attended to the voice of my prayer. <sup>20</sup> Blessed be God, which hath not turned away my prayer, nor his mercy from me.

What needs to be confessed to God?

