

STEP ONE

There must be genuine *CONFESSION*.

Psalm 51:1-4

"Have mercy on me, O God, because of your unfailing love. Because of your great compassion, blot out the stain of my sins. Wash me clean from my guilt. For I recognize my rebellion; it haunts me day and night. Against you, and you alone, have I sinned; I have done what is evil in your sight. You will be proved right in what you say, and your judgement against me is just."

STEP TWO

There must be genuine *REPENTANCE*.

2 Corinthians 7:10

"For the kind of sorrow God wants us to experience leads us away from sin and results in salvation. There is no regret for that kind of sorrow. But worldly sorrow, which lacks repentance, results in spiritual death."

STEP THREE

There must be genuine *FAITH*.

Hebrews 11:6

"And it is impossible to please God without faith. Anyone who wants to come to Him must believe that God exists and that He rewards those who sincerely seek him."

STEP FOUR

There must be genuine *OBEDIENCE*.

1 John 1:5-7

"...God is light, and there is no darkness in him at all. So we are lying if we say we have fellowship with God but go on living in spiritual darkness; we are not practicing the truth. But if we are living in the light, as God is the light, then we have fellowship with each other, and the blood of Jesus, his Son, cleanses us from all sin."