Psalms: A Mirror to the Soul "Have Mercy On Me, O God!" Psalm 51 Page 474 in the Church Bible The Lord's Day Morning - May 21, 2017 **Elements in a Lament** 1. Invocation/plea for God's help 2. Complaints 3. Confession of sin or assertion of innocence 4. Curse of enemies/wicked 5. Confidence in God's response 6. Hymn or blessing **Overview of Psalm 51:** Psalm 51:1-2 - Plea for God's Help The only hope for rebellious sinners is the \_\_\_\_\_. Psalm 51: 3-6 - Confession of Sin We should not make \_\_\_\_\_\_ for our sin before God. We need to \_\_\_\_\_ it. Psalm 51:7-12 - Plea for God's Help We cannot earn our \_\_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_, God must act in our lives. Confession must be accompanied with \_\_\_\_\_\_ that results in a changed life.

## Psalm 51:13-19 - Confidence in God's Response

who comes to God and asks for mercy with a broken spirit and a contrite heart, will receive it.