Fasting, Prayer, and Humiliation for Sin – Part 3

1. Sermons 5-8: Strive for grace to afflict one's soul with godly sorrow
2. Motives (to seek this grace)
    a. The examples of God's servants in Scripture (2 Kings 22:19, Psalm 6:6, Matthew 26:75, 1 Corinthians 15:9, Hebrews 5:7)
    b. The promises God makes to those who afflict their souls (Psalm 126:5, James 4:6, 2 Chronicles 32:26, Job 42:8)
    c. Humbling our own souls to prevent God from doing it (1 Corinthians 11:31-32)
3. Means (to be used in attaining this grace)
    a. Ministry of the Word (Acts 2)
    b. Private admonition (Hebrews 10:24, Matthew 18:15, 2 Samuel 12)
    c. Applications (Genesis 4:9, Genesis 19:9, Daniel 9:21, Matthew 6:6, Judges 6:13, Isaiah 46:8)
4. Signs and Tokens (to distinguish this grace)
    a. Repentance (Acts 5:31, 2 Corinthians 7:9-10)
    b. Sorrow for the evil of sin (Jeremiah 5:3, Nehemiah 1:3-7)
    c. Sorrow for sin against God (Psalm 51:4)
    d. Applications (Job 1:5, Ezekiel 9:4, Psalm 119:136)
5. Conclusion (James 4:10, Matthew 5:4)

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