

B. Individual Confession Time (30-60 minutes)

1. After the quiet time, the priest will welcome participants and reiterate the healing aspect of the sacrament, and its importance to us as Catholics. He then will explain the logistics of the individual confession time.
2. Remind participants that the time spent waiting in line is part of the process. In preparation for the sacrament, ask participants to read over what they have written on the circle. Play appropriate music (preferably live, but a CD is okay) during this time. Explain that they may go to confession as they feel ready and if they choose not to go that is acceptable.
3. Be sure to allow enough time for private prayer or penance.

C. Closing Prayer (15 minutes)

Gather

Gather participants and give each a pipe cleaner and a copy of the prayer, *Our God, the Great I Am*.

Listen

Proclaim the story of Zacchaeus, Luke 19:1-10.

After a brief silence, give the basket of symbols to the presider. He will bless the symbols, using these or similar words, *"We want to send you out with a symbol of the forgiveness and growth you have (hopefully) experienced this evening. May God, the Great I Am, bless these symbols and may you, my dear young friends, remember how much God loves you each time you look at them. We ask this in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Amen."*



Respond

Ask participants to wrap the pipe cleaner around the circle (demonstrate holding the center of the circle and then forming a sort of tube that gets encircled by the pipe cleaner) and to leave at least an inch of the pipe cleaner at the bottom. When complete, say, *"These have become symbols of our own growth and of how we will continue to grow as disciples. Now I invite each of you to come forward, placing your pipe cleaner and circle into the Styrofoam™ block on the table. After you have done that, please take one of the symbols from the basket on the table."*

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Invite all to pray together, *Our God, the Great I Am*.