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The practice of confession builds _____.

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3. Purpose

⁸ This is to my Father's glory, that you bear much fruit, showing yourselves to be my disciples. John 15:8

The practice of purpose brings the _____ of God.

4. Joy

¹¹ I have told you this so that my joy may be in you and that your joy may be complete. John 15:4

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