

A JUBILEE PENITENTIAL CELEBRATION

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We suggest some parts of this scheme for the Jubilee 2000 penitential celebrations as good examples for developing an awareness of the simultaneous personal and collective (social as well as ecclesial) factors which gravitate on sin. These twin aspects are not easily perceived side by side. As a consequence there is frequently a risk of falling into a false sense of guilt which will in turn impinge upon a) the image we form of God and b) a personal whitewashing when we only focus upon the social and collective aspects of sin. An authentic perception of salvation as brought about in Christ is very much tied to a proper perception of sin in its various dimensions.