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Q. I and many other Americans have long regarded Mr. Charles Colson as the most wicked, evil, ruthless devil in the entire Nixon Administration. Here is a man who recommended the fire-bombing of the Brookings Institution, who financed the plumbers' break-in of Dr. Lewis Fielding's office, who originated the first Enemies List. Now I read that he has found religion, wants forgiveness, and will confess all. Can any man, except someone like Sen. Harold Hughes (D., Iowa), actually believe this?—Mrs. J.F.L., Germantown, Pa.

A. No man is beyond redemption. Senator Hughes regards Mr. Colson as "my brother in Christ," believes firmly that Mr. Colson intends to reform. Mr. Colson has never promised to "confess all." Should he do so within the near future, he would blow the Nixon Administration out of the White House.