



WORSHIP

REPENTANCE

Objective for Learning: To understand why repentance is needed for salvation and a godly life.

Objective for Living: To ensure salvific repentance has taken place and that repentance is also a continual part of your walk with God.

Objective for Reproducing: To be able to confidently teach the necessity of repentance for salvation, and also model and lead others in the daily practice of repentance.

Scriptures for Repentance:

- Matthew 4:17
- Acts 2:38
- 1 John 1:9
- Romans 2:4
- 2 Corinthians 7:9-10
- Proverbs 28:13
- 2 Peter 3:9
- Romans 10:9-10

How do each of these Scriptures help to **define** and **illuminate** what accountability is and why it is important?

Hearing (Discussion Points and Questions):

Overview:

True repentance is a complete about-face turn in thought and action. It is a new perspective of the nature, awfulness, and consequences of sin. There is a recognition that what you are in your natural state has drastically separated you from God. There is also the recognition that God, His promises, and His love are greater than anything you could have ever imagined. These realizations lead to action, in which you turn *from* disobedience, selfishness, the sinful nature, and rebelling against God and turn to God. You turn away from sin, submit your life to God, and make Jesus your Lord and Savior.

Thereafter, repentance is a continual part of a believers walk with Jesus as they turn daily from their sin and back to God. Repentance begins with a sorrowful heart, but also leads to joy and life in Christ that produces fruit and refreshing!

Questions for Learning and Living:

- Why is repentance required for salvation?
- What do you think the difference is between repentance and feeling guilt or shame?
- What is the difference between repenting for salvation and repenting for specific sins after you start following Jesus? Why is it important that we need to keep repenting?
- What happens spiritually when we repent?

Questions for Reproducing:

- Why is repentance the foundation for salvation?
- What are your thoughts or reservations on leading someone through repenting?
- Do you feel you are modeling daily repentance in your own life? Why or why not?
- What are the reasons people avoid repentance and how can you address them?

Doing (Implementation and Application):

- What is Jesus saying to you about this?
- How are you going to respond? Look at your personal discipleship assessment.
 - Give 1-3 concrete action steps that you are going to do this week to help you take the next step of learning, living, or reproducing in this area.
- Choose one of the Scriptures that really impacted you and commit to memorizing it this week.