



THE BASICS OF REPENTANCE

SELECTED SCRIPTURES

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WHAT REPENTANCE CONSISTS OF

1. A sense of sorrow

PSALM 38:18

I confess my iniquity;

I am sorry for my sin.

2 SAMUEL 24:10

*But **David's heart struck him** after he had numbered the people. And David said to the LORD, "I have sinned greatly in what I have done."*

ACTS 2:37

*Now when they heard this they were cut to the
heart...*

PSALM 51:16-17

For you will not delight in sacrifice, or I would give it;

you will not be pleased with a burnt offering.

The sacrifices of God are a broken spirit;

a broken and contrite heart, O God, you will not despise.

EXODUS 9:27

Then Pharaoh sent and called Moses and Aaron and said to them, "This time I have sinned; the LORD is in the right, and I and my people are in the wrong."

EXODUS 9:34-35

But when Pharaoh saw that the rain and the hail and the thunder had ceased, he sinned yet again and hardened his heart, he and his servants. So the heart of Pharaoh was hardened, and he did not let the people of Israel go...

1 SAMUEL 15:24

Saul said to Samuel, "I have sinned, for I have transgressed the commandment of the LORD..."

1 SAMUEL 15:30

"I have sinned..."

1 SAMUEL 26:21

Then Saul said, "I have sinned... Behold, I have acted foolishly, and have made a great mistake."

MATTHEW 27:3-4 NASB

Then when Judas... saw that [Jesus] had been condemned, he felt remorse and returned the thirty pieces of silver to the chief priests and elders, saying, "I have sinned by betraying innocent blood."

MATTHEW 27:5

And throwing down the pieces of silver into the temple, he departed, and he went and hanged himself.

PSALM 32:10

Many are the sorrows of the wicked...

2 CORINTHIANS 7:10

For godly grief produces a repentance that leads to salvation... whereas worldly grief produces death.

2 CORINTHIANS 7:8-9

...for I see that that letter grieved you, though only for a while. As it is, I rejoice, not because you were grieved, but because you were grieved into repenting.

WHAT REPENTANCE CONSISTS OF

1. A sense of sorrow
2. A change of heart

μετάνοια

- *“a change of mind”* (BDAG)
- *“to have another mind”* (ISBE)

ISBE

“The change wrought in repentance is so deep and radical as to affect the whole spiritual nature and involve the entire personality. The intellect must function, the emotions must be aroused, and the will must act.”

EZEKIEL 18:30-31

*“Repent and turn from all your transgressions, lest iniquity be your ruin. Cast away from you all the transgressions that you have committed, and make yourselves **a new heart and a new spirit!**”*

JOEL 2:12

“Yet even now,” declares the LORD,

*“return to me with **all your heart,***

with fasting, with weeping, and with mourning;

*and **rend your hearts** and not your garments.”*

WHAT REPENTANCE CONSISTS OF

1. A sense of sorrow
2. A change of heart
3. A turning from sin

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1 SAMUEL 7:3

*And Samuel said to all the house of Israel, "If you are returning to the LORD with all your heart, then **put away** the foreign gods and the Ashtaroth from among you..."*

EZEKIEL 14:6

*“Therefore say to the house of Israel, Thus says the Lord GOD: Repent and **turn away** from your idols, and **turn away** your faces from all your abominations.”*

JONAH 3:8

*“Let everyone **turn from his evil way** and from the
violence that is in his hands.”*

WHAT REPENTANCE CONSISTS OF

1. A sense of sorrow
2. A change of heart
3. A turning from sin
4. A turning to God

1 SAMUEL 7:3

*And Samuel said to all the house of Israel, "If you are returning to the LORD with all your heart, then put away the foreign gods and the Ashtaroth from among you and **direct your heart to the LORD** and serve him only..."*

1 THESSALONIANS 1:9

*...you turned to God from idols to serve the living
and true God...*

ἐπιστρέφω

“to cause a person to change belief or course of conduct, with focus on the thing to which one turns”

(BDAG)

ACTS 9:35

*And all the residents of Lydda and Sharon ... turned
to the Lord.*

ACTS 11:21

...and a great number who believed turned to the

Lord.

ACTS 14:15

*...we bring you good news, that you should turn
from these vain things to a living God...*

ACTS 26:20

...but [I] declared first to those in Damascus, then in Jerusalem and throughout all the region of Judea, and also to the Gentiles, that they should repent and turn to God...

EPHESIANS 4:25

*Therefore, having put away falsehood, let each one
of you speak the truth with his neighbor...*

EPHESIANS 4:28

Let the thief no longer steal, but rather let him labor, doing honest work with his own hands, so that he may have something to share with anyone in need.

EPHESIANS 4:29

Let no corrupting talk come out of your mouths, but only such as is good for building up, as fits the occasion, that it may give grace to those who hear.

EPHESIANS 4:31-32

Let all bitterness and wrath and anger and clamor and slander be put away from you, along with all malice. Be kind to one another, tenderhearted, forgiving one another, as God in Christ forgave you.

WHO REPENTANCE APPLIES TO

1. The sinner

LUKE 5:32

*“I have not come to call the righteous but sinners to
repentance.”*

ROMANS 3:10

“None is righteous, no, not one...”

ACTS 17:30-31

*The times of ignorance God overlooked, but now he commands **all people everywhere to repent**, because he has fixed a day on which he will judge the world in righteousness...*

LUKE 13:3

*“No, I tell you; but unless you repent, you will all
likewise perish.”*

2 PETER 3:9

The Lord is not slow to fulfill his promise as some count slowness, but is patient toward you, not wishing that any should perish, but that all should reach repentance.

WHO REPENTANCE APPLIES TO

1. The sinner
2. The believer

ACTS 8:20-22

"May your silver perish with you, because you thought you could obtain the gift of God with money! You have neither part nor lot in this matter, for your heart is not right before God.

ACTS 8:20-22

Repent, therefore, of this wickedness of yours, and pray to the Lord that, if possible, the intent of your heart may be forgiven you.”

ACTS 8:13

*Even Simon himself believed, and after being
baptized he continued with Philip.*

REVELATION 2:4-5

*“But I have this against you, that you have
abandoned the love you had at first.*

REVELATION 2:4-5

*Remember therefore from where you have fallen;
repent, and do the works you did at first. If not, I will
come to you and remove your lampstand from its
place, unless you repent.”*

REVELATION 3:19

*“Those whom I love, I reprove and discipline, so be
zealous and repent.”*

WHAT REPENTANCE RESULTS IN

1. Forgiveness

ACTS 2:38

“Repent and be baptized every one of you in the name of Jesus Christ for the forgiveness of your sins...”

ACTS 3:19

*“Repent therefore, and turn again, that your sins
may be blotted out...”*

EZEKIEL 18:21-22

“But if a wicked person turns away from all his sins that he has committed and keeps all my statutes and does what is just and right, he shall surely live; he shall not die.

EZEKIEL 18:21-22

None of the transgressions that he has committed shall be remembered against him; for the righteousness that he has done he shall live.”

JONAH 3:10

When God saw what they did, how they turned from their evil way, God relented of the disaster that he had said he would do to them, and he did not do it.

WHAT REPENTANCE RESULTS IN

1. Forgiveness
2. Action

ACTS 26:20

*“...that they should repent and turn to God,
performing deeds in keeping with their repentance.”*

MATTHEW 7:16

“You will recognize them by their fruits.”

MATTHEW 3:8

“Bear fruit in keeping with repentance.”

2 CORINTHIANS 7:11

For see what earnestness this godly grief has produced in you, but also what eagerness to clear yourselves, what indignation, what fear, what longing, what zeal, what punishment!

2 CORINTHIANS 7:11

*At every point you have proved yourselves innocent
in the matter.*

WHAT REPENTANCE RESULTS IN

1. Forgiveness
2. Action
3. Salvation

TITUS 2:11-13

*For the grace of God has appeared, bringing
salvation for all people, training us to renounce
ungodliness and worldly passions, and to live self-
controlled, upright, and godly lives in the present
age,*

TITUS 2:11-13

*waiting for our blessed hope, the appearing of the
glory of our great God and Savior Jesus Christ...*

ISAIAH 30:15 NASB

“In repentance and rest you will be saved,

In quietness and trust is your strength.”



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