REPENTANCE 2.0

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KEY SCRIPTURES

- Luke 17:3
- Luke 13:3
- Matthew 12:41
- 2 Peter 3:9
- <u>1 Corinthians 11:31</u>
- Mark 1:14-15
- Acts 11:18
- Acts 17:30

KEY POINTS

- The aim of repentance is love.
- Our problem with our idea of repentance less about what we haven't been told to do but more about what we have already been told to repent of.
- There are many unique situations that we need the Spirit's help to navigate the right and wrong, some of which are matters of conscience. To go against your conscience is sin.
- The church needs to be taught *all* that Jesus said to teach.
- You don't have to repent; you get to repent!
- God is patiently waiting for you to repent.
- Repentance is not penance.
- Without real change, there is no repentance.
- Repentance is right thinking that leads to a change of mind followed by a change in behavior.
- Faith and repentance are a two-sided coin.
- Repentance is a realization that we have been wrong in our thinking, wrong in our outlook on life, wrong in our actions.
- Repent quickly, joyfully, and constantly.

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

- 1. Can you tell someone to repent in love? What does that look like?
- 2. What are some of the things God has told you to repent from?
- 3. What are some of the things you know you should change but that God has remained silent on?
- 4. What is penance? How is it different than repentance?
- 5. How hard is it to tell someone you were "wrong" about something? Why is it hard?
- 6. What, if anything, prevents you from repenting?