

DISCUSSION POINTS:

Introductory Question: Why does repentance continue beyond our initial encounter with Jesus?

Discussion: (choices)

- Why does our initial reaction toward repentance have eternal implications beyond the moment?
- Why are men seemingly placed in a headship position relative to family, community, church, etc. and what factors influence our successful incorporation of repentance principles in these settings?

Explain how can we walk in daily repentance and still feel the assurance of Christ's approval of our lives.

APPLICATION:

As disciples of Christ who are daily learning and incorporating Godly principles into our lives, we will inevitably encounter areas of our Christian deportment that we will desire to enhance. Since repentance involves a "turning from" an undesired activity or practice and the "adopting" of the preferred course of action, look for actual occurrences in your life and determine why the change was lasting or what caused a return to the previous ineffective behavior. Repentance requires permanency in allowing our earthly journey to deliver us to our eternal reward.

ON YOUR OWN...

Understand and internalize the following passage during your daily devotion.

Mark 1:14-15 Now after that John was put in prison, Jesus came into Galilee, preaching the gospel of the kingdom of God, And saying, *The time is fulfilled, and the kingdom of God is at hand: repent ye, and believe the gospel.*

SUMMARY:

Luke 19:1-10 And Jesus entered and passed through Jericho. And, behold, there was a man named Zacchaeus, which was the chief among the publicans, and he was rich. And he sought to see Jesus who he was; and could not for the press, because he was little of stature. And he ran before, and climbed up into a sycamore tree to see him: for he was to pass that way. And when Jesus came to the place, he looked up, and saw him, and said unto him, Zacchaeus, make haste, and come down; for to day I must abide at thy house. And he made haste, and came down, and received him joyfully. And when they saw it, they all murmured, saying, That he was gone to be guest with a man that is a sinner. And Zacchaeus stood, and said unto the Lord: Behold, Lord, the half of my goods I give to the poor; and if I have taken any thing from any man by false accusation, I restore him fourfold. And Jesus said unto him, This day is salvation come to this house, for so much as he also is a son of Abraham. For the Son of man is come to seek and to save that which was lost.

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