



In believing in Christ for salvation, how are we commanded to repent of our sins?

Acts 3:19: "Repent therefore and be converted, that your sins may be blotted out, so that times of refreshing may come from the presence of the Lord."

Acts 2:38: Then Peter said to them, "Repent, and let every one of you be baptized in the name of Jesus Christ for the remission of sins; and you shall receive the gift of the Holy Spirit."

Matthew 4:17: "From that time Jesus began to preach and to say, "Repent, for the kingdom of heaven is at hand."

What's more?

Acts 17:30: "Truly, these times of ignorance God overlooked, but now commands all men everywhere to repent."

Luke 5:31-32: "Jesus answered and said to them, "Those who are well have no need of a physician, but those who are sick. I have not come to call *the* righteous, but sinners, to repentance."

2 Peter 3:9: "The Lord is not slack concerning *His* promise, as some count slackness, but is longsuffering toward us, not willing that any should perish but that all should come to repentance."

Revelation 3:19: "As many as I love, I rebuke and chasten. Therefore be zealous and repent."

Do I understand God's command to repent, a requirement both leading to salvation and to turn away from sin?

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Why does God require that we repent of our sins?

Romans 8:7: "Because the carnal mind *is* enmity against God; for it is not subject to the law of God, nor indeed can be."

Luke 13:3: "Unless you repent you will all likewise perish."

The reason why:

2 Corinthians 7:10: "Godly sorrow produces repentance *leading* to salvation, not to be regretted; but the sorrow of the world produces death."

What's more?

Acts 17:31: "He has appointed a day on which He will judge the world in righteousness by the Man whom He has ordained. He has given assurance of this to all by raising Him from the dead."

The ultimate purpose being:

1 Thessalonians 5:9: "God did not appoint us to wrath, but to obtain salvation through our Lord Jesus Christ."

Therefore:

1 John 1:8-9: "If we say that we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. If we confess our sins, He is faithful and just to forgive us *our* sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness."

Proverbs 28:13: "He who covers his sins will not prosper, but whoever confesses and forsakes *them* will have mercy."

Do I understand that to repent from my sins and forsake them is not simply an option, but rather a requirement from God for salvation?

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THE PURPOSE OF REPENTANCE

*“That you should turn
from these useless things
to the living God,
who made the heaven,
the earth, the sea, and all
things that are in them.”*

Acts 14:15

What does God purpose to achieve in the life of a believer through repentance?

Isaiah 57:15: “For thus says the High and Lofty One who inhabits eternity, whose name *is* Holy: “I dwell in the high and holy *place*, with him *who* has a contrite and humble spirit, to revive the spirit of the humble, and to revive the heart of the contrite ones.”

2 Chronicles 7:14: “If My people who are called by My name will humble themselves, and pray and seek My face, and turn from their wicked ways, then I will hear from heaven, and will forgive their sin and heal their land.”

The reason why:

Luke 24:46-47: “Thus it is written, and thus it was necessary for the Christ to suffer and to rise from the dead the third day, and that repentance and remission of sins should be preached in His name to all nations, beginning at Jerusalem.”

Psalms 34:18: “The LORD *is* near to those who have a broken heart, and saves such as have a contrite spirit.”

As such:

Acts 26:20: “All must repent of their sins and turn to God—and prove they have changed by the good things they do.”

Therefore:

Revelation 3:3: “If you will not watch, I will come upon you as a thief, and you will not know what hour I will come upon you.”

Have I repented and forsaken sin, to serve the living God through Christ Jesus?

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What does repentance encompass in a believer's life?

Psalm 51:17: "The sacrifices of God are a broken spirit, a broken and a contrite heart."

Ezekiel 18:21-22: "if wicked people turn away from all their sins and begin to obey my decrees and do what is just and right, they will surely live and not die. All their past sins will be forgotten, and they will live because of the righteous things they have done."

Isaiah 1:16: "Wash yourselves, make yourselves clean; put away the evil of your doings from before My eyes. Cease to do evil."

Ephesians 4:31: "Get rid of all bitterness, rage and anger, brawling and slander, along with every form of malice."

What's more?

Ephesians 4:32: "Be kind and compassionate to one another, forgiving each other, just as in Christ God forgave you."

Why?

Matthew 6:14-15: "If you forgive men their trespasses, your heavenly Father will also forgive you. But if you do not forgive men their trespasses, neither will your Father forgive your trespasses."

Colossians 3:13: "If anyone has a complaint against another; even as Christ forgave you, so you also must do."

Do I understand the scope of repentance as it relates to our new life in Christ?

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How must we bear fruit worthy of true repentance?

John 15:4-5: “Abide in Me, and I in you. As the branch cannot bear fruit of itself, unless it abides in the vine, neither can you, unless you abide in Me. “I am the vine, you *are* the branches. He who abides in Me, and I in him, bears much fruit; for without Me you can do nothing.”

What’s more?

John 15:16: “You did not choose Me, but I chose you and appointed you that you should go and bear fruit, and *that* your fruit should remain, that whatever you ask the Father in My name He may give you.”

The purpose being:

John 15:8: “By this My Father is glorified, that you bear much fruit; so you will be My disciples.”

Colossians 1:10: “That you may walk worthy of the Lord, fully pleasing *Him*, being fruitful in every good work and increasing in the knowledge of God.”

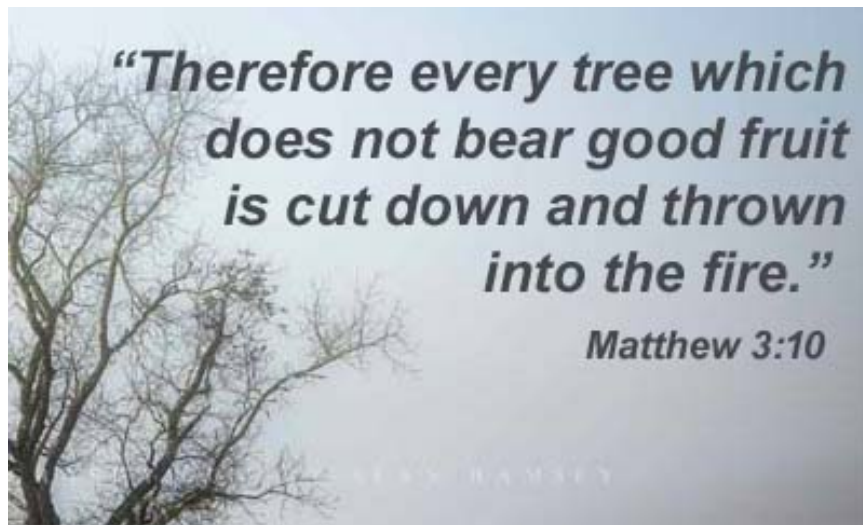
Therefore:

Hebrews 6:1: “Leaving the discussion of the elementary *principles* of Christ, let us go on to perfection, not laying again the foundation of repentance from dead works and of faith toward God.”

James 4:7-8: “Submit to God. Resist the devil and he will flee from you. Draw near to God and He will draw near to you.”

Do I bear fruit to the glory of God, worthy of true repentance?

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What are the traps of the enemy that we must avoid, so we bear fruit worthy of repentance?

Galatians 5:19-21: "Now the works of the flesh are evident, which are: adultery, fornication, uncleanness, lewdness, idolatry, sorcery, hatred, contentions, jealousies, outbursts of wrath, selfish ambitions, dissensions, heresies, envy, murders, drunkenness, revelries, and the like; of which I tell you beforehand, just as I also told *you* in time past, that those who practice such things will not inherit the kingdom of God."

The reason why:

Revelation 3:3: "If you will not watch, I will come upon you as a thief, and you will not know what hour I will come upon you."

Therefore:

Revelation 2:5: "Remember from where you have fallen; repent and do the first works, or else I will come to you quickly and remove your lampstand from its place."

1 Peter 5:8: "Be sober, be vigilant; because your adversary the devil walks about like a roaring lion, seeking whom he may devour."

As such:

Galatians 5:16-17: "Walk in the Spirit, and you shall not fulfill the lust of the flesh. For the flesh lusts against the Spirit, and the Spirit against the flesh; and these are contrary to one another, so that you do not do the things that you wish."

Am I committed to live to bear fruit to the glory of God?

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