

# Lessons For New Believers

## New Life Chapel

### Lesson 1 - Repentance & Faith

#### REPENTANCE

To repent means to change your mind and attitude about sin, so that you turn from your sin and you turn to God (Jesus Christ) for forgiveness and cleansing.

#### 1. WHO PREACHED REPENTANCE?

a. Matthew 3:2

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b. Matthew 4:17

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c. Mark 6:12

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d. Acts 2:38

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e. Acts 17:30

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#### 2. WHAT ARE THE CHARACTERISTICS OF TRUE REPENTANCE?

a. 2 Corinthians 7:9,10

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b. Luke 18:9-14

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c. 1 Thessalonians 1:9

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#### 3. REPENTANCE IS A CHANGE OF 3 ELEMENTS:

a. Intellectual element - a change of mind. What we think.

- b. Emotional element - a change of heart. What we desire.
- c. Volitional element - a change of will. What we do.

4. IT IS TO BE OUR MESSAGE TO THE UNBELIEVER:  
Luke 24:44-48

## **FAITH**

1. HOW DOES THE BIBLE DEFINE FAITH? Hebrews 11:1

- a. What is faith? It is the confident assurance that something we want is going to happen. It is the certainty that what we hope for is waiting for us, even though we cannot see up ahead.

2. WHERE DOES FAITH COME FROM? Hebrews 12:1-2

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3. HOW DO WE RECEIVE FAITH? Romans 10:17

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4. THE IMPORTANCE OF FAITH

- a. We should live by it - 2 Corinthians 5:7
- b. We are saved by it - Ephesians 2:8,9
- c. It is our defense (shield) against the enemy - Ephesians 6:16
- d. It never gives up - Hebrews 11:7,30
- e. It gives us victory over the world and its problems - 1 John 5:4

The principle element in repentance is a change of mind and attitude about Christ; a change from an unbelieving and rejecting attitude to a believing and accepting attitude. *True faith* in Christ involves the confession and forsaking of sin. *True repentance* and faith are inseparable. They are mutually dependent upon one each other.

Application Question: How have I repented and trusted in Christ?

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Notes/ Questions

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Assignments: Read I John, memorize John 1:12-13, and pray for one another by name.