

Repentance Scriptures

To repent means to turn around, stop going the wrong way, and go the right way, God's way, the way of righteousness. Please note the expanded meaning of repentance from Webster's 1828 dictionary:

REPENT', *verb intransitive* [Latin *re* and *paeniteo*, from *paena*, pain. Gr. [See Pain.](#)]

1. To feel pain, sorrow or regret for something done or spoken; as, to *repent* that we have lost much time in idleness or sensual pleasure; to *repent* that we have injured or wounded the feelings of a friend. A person repents only of what he himself has done or said.

2. To express sorrow for something past.

Enobarbus did before thy face *repent*

3. To change the mind in consequence of the inconvenience or injury done by past conduct.

Lest peradventure the people *repent* when they see war, and they return. [Exodus 13:17.](#)

4. Applied to the Supreme Being, to change the course of providential dealings. [Genesis 6:7.](#) [Psalms 106:45.](#)

5. In theology, to sorrow or be pained for sin, as a violation of God's holy law, a dishonor to his character and government, and the foulest ingratitude to a Being of infinite benevolence.

Except ye *repent* ye shall all likewise perish. [Luke 13:3.](#) [Acts 3:19.](#)

REPENT', *verb intransitive*

1. To remember with sorrow; as, to *repent* rash words; to *repent* an injury done to a neighbor; to *repent* follies and vices. [See Repentance.]

2. With the reciprocal pronoun.

No man repented him of his wickedness. [Jeremiah 8:6.](#)

"Repent": First ministry "Word" by John the Baptist and by Jesus:

•“In those days came John the Baptist, preaching in the wilderness of Judaea, And saying, **Repent ye:** for the kingdom of heaven is at hand. For this is he that was spoken of by the prophet Esaias, saying, The voice of one crying in the wilderness, Prepare ye the way of the Lord, make his paths straight. And the same John had his raiment of camel's hair, and a leathern girdle about his loins; and his meat was locusts and wild honey. Then went out to him Jerusalem, and all Judaea, and all the region round about Jordan, And were baptized of him in Jordan, confessing their sins. But when he saw many of the Pharisees and Sadducees come to his baptism, he said unto them, O generation of vipers, who hath warned you to flee from the wrath to come? Bring forth therefore fruits meet for **repentance:**”

Matthew 3:1-8 KJV

•“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.” Mark 1:14-15 KJV

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

•“There were present at that season some that told him of the Galilaeans, whose blood Pilate had mingled with their sacrifices. And Jesus answering said unto them, Suppose ye that these Galilaeans were sinners above all the Galilaeans, because they suffered such things? I tell you, Nay: but, **except ye repent**, ye shall all likewise perish. Or those eighteen, upon whom the tower in Siloam fell, and slew them, think ye that they were sinners above all men that dwelt in Jerusalem? I tell you, Nay: but, **except ye repent**, ye shall all likewise perish. He spake also this parable; A certain man had a fig tree planted in his vineyard; and he came and sought fruit thereon, and found none. Then said he unto the dresser of his vineyard, Behold, these three years I come seeking fruit on this fig tree, and find none: cut it down; why cumbereth it the ground? And he answering said unto him, Lord, let it alone this year also, till I shall dig about it, and dung it: And if it bear fruit, well: and if not, then after that thou shalt cut it down.” Luke 13:1-9 KJV

•“Remember therefore from whence thou art fallen, **and repent**, and do the first works; or else I will come unto thee quickly, and will remove thy candlestick out of his place, except thou **repent...Repent**; or else I will come unto thee quickly, and will fight against them with the sword of my mouth...Notwithstanding I have a few things against thee, because thou sufferest that woman Jezebel, which calleth herself a prophetess, to teach and to seduce my servants to commit fornication, and to eat things sacrificed unto idols. And I gave her space to **repent** of her fornication; and she **repented not**. Behold, I will cast her into a bed, and them that commit adultery with her into great tribulation, except they **repent** of their deeds.” Revelation 2:5, 16, 20-22 KJV

•“Remember therefore how thou hast received and heard, and hold fast, and **repent**. If therefore thou shalt not watch, I will come on thee as a thief, and thou shalt not know what hour I will come upon thee...As many as I love, I rebuke and chasten: be zealous therefore, and repent. Behold, I stand at the door, and knock: if any man hear my voice, and open the door, I will come in to him, and will sup with him, and he with me. To him that overcometh will I grant to sit with me in my throne, even as I also overcame, and am set down with my Father in his throne. He that hath an ear, let him hear what the Spirit saith unto the churches.” Revelation 3:3, 19-22 KJV

•**First thing the Disciples preached:**

“And he called unto him the twelve, and began to send them forth by two and two; and gave them power over unclean spirits; And commanded them that they should take nothing for their journey, save a staff only; no scrip, no bread, no money in their purse: But be shod with sandals; and not put on two coats. And he said unto them, In what place soever ye enter into an house, there abide till ye depart from that place. And whosoever shall not receive you, nor hear you, when ye depart thence, shake off the dust under your feet for a testimony against them. Verily I say unto you, It shall be more tolerable for Sodom and Gomorrhah in the day of judgment, than for that city. And they went out, and **preached that men should repent**. And they cast out many devils, and anointed with oil many that were sick, and healed them.” Mark 6:7-13 KJV