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*Whenever you  
stand praying,  
forgive, if you  
have anything  
against anyone ...*

## **Repentance**

The dictionary defines it as “to turn from sin and dedicate oneself to the amendment of one’s life”. True repentance is prompted by “godly sorrow,” and it “leads to salvation” (2 Cor. 7:10). A person who has truly repented of his sin and exercised faith in Christ will give evidence of a changed life.

Too much of today’s preaching deals in a shallow faith that does not even begin to confront

repentance and change. "Not everyone who says to Me, 'Lord, Lord,' shall enter the kingdom of heaven, but he who does the will of My Father in heaven. Many will say to Me in that day, 'Lord, Lord, have we not prophesied in Your name, cast out demons in Your name, and done many wonders in Your name?' And then I will declare to them, 'I never knew you; depart from Me, you who practice lawlessness!' (Matt. 7:21-23) "Because narrow is the gate and difficult is the way which leads to life, and there are few who find it." (Matt. 7:14)

In today's church it is hard to tell the difference between a believer and a non-believer. Maybe they go to church and say the right things but where will they be when things are not convenient. If a muslim converts, they are often losing their family and friends and perhaps even risking their lives. Many are dying around the world for their faith. They have truly shown repentance and turned to a righteous God. Are you willing to die before you deny Jesus. Is He that precious to you or just a get-out-of-jail card in case it all happens to be true.

"Then Jesus said to His disciples, 'If anyone desires to come after Me, let him deny himself, and take up his cross, and follow Me.'" (Matt. 16:24) That's hard to do if you haven't even truly repented of your sins. One cannot repent when they choose. Even repentance is a gift from God. Examine yourselves as to where you are in the faith. The Word says to work out your own salvation with fear and trembling.

When you pray to the Father can you say like Jesus, "Not my will but yours be done." We all fall short in many ways and Jesus is always there to intercede, forgive and cleanse . . . but only if you are truly repentant. He is a holy and righteous God and it is only because we stand in the righteousness of Jesus that we stand at all. "For what fellowship has righteousness with lawlessness? And what communion has light with darkness?" (2 Cor. 6:14) Is your fellowship with the Father and with His son Jesus Christ?

Paul declares, "I preached that they should repent and turn to God and demonstrate their repentance by their deeds" (Acts 26:20). Make sure in your heart that you are in right standing with God. It's not just speaking the right words but letting your actions speak the right words for themselves. Love the light more than the darkness. Live in the light as He is in the light. Then we can rejoice in fellowship with Him.

The wonderful news is that our Lord is a God of mercy, and He responds to repentance but repentance means you change your mind so deeply that it changes you.