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Scripture

- 12 When Peter saw this, he addressed the people: "Fellow Israelites, why are you amazed at this? Why do you stare at us, as though we had made him walk by our own power or godliness?
- 13 The God of Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob, the God of our ancestors, has glorified his servant Jesus, whom you handed over and denied before Pilate, though he had decided to release him.
- 14 You denied the Holy and Righteous One and asked to have a murderer released to you.
- 15 You killed the source of life, whom God raised from the dead; we are witnesses of this.
- 16 By faith in his name, his name has made this man strong, whom you see and know. So the faith that comes through Jesus has given him this perfect health in front of all of you.
- 17 "And now, brothers and sisters, I know that you acted in ignorance, just as your leaders also did.
- 18 In this way God fulfilled what he had predicted through all the prophets—that his Messiah would suffer.
- 19 Therefore repent and turn back, so that your sins may be wiped out,
- 20 that seasons of refreshing may come from the presence of the Lord, and that he may send Jesus, who has been appointed for you as the Messiah.
- 21 Heaven must receive him until the time of the restoration of all things, which God spoke about through his holy prophets from the beginning.
- 22 Moses said: The Lord your God will raise up for you a prophet like me from among your brothers. You must listen to everything he tells you.
- 23 And everyone who does not listen to that prophet will be completely cut off from the people.
- 24 "In addition, all the prophets who have spoken, from Samuel and those after him, have also foretold these days.
- 25 You are the sons of the prophets and of the covenant that God made with your ancestors, saying to Abraham, And all the families of the earth will be blessed through your offspring.
- 26 God raised up his servant and sent him first to you to bless you by turning each of you from your evil ways."

Acts 3:12-26 CSB



Additional Resources

Explore the Bible: Acts, Summer 2024; Biblegateway.com; preceptaustin.org; Biblehub.com/commentaries; The New American Commentary, Acts, John B. Polhill

Connect Church Notes

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God's Word - Devoted to Him

Repentance

"The time is fulfilled, and the kingdom of God is at hand. Repent, and believe in the gospel."

Mark 1:15

Repentance is one of the most positive of all words. John the Baptist centered his preaching on repentance (Matt. 3:2, Mark 1:3, Luke 3:3). Jesus also preached repentance, commanding His disciples to do likewise (Mark 1:14-15; Luke 24:47). The angel predicted that the Messiah would save His people from their sins (Matt.1:21). The requirement for this salvation would be repentance. To repent means to stop going one direction, to turn around completely, and to go the opposite way. Repentance involves a dramatic and decisive change of course. God urges us to repent when the path we are taking leads to destruction. Repentance will save us from disastrous consequences! What a wonderful word! How comforting that the Creator loves us enough to warn us of impending danger!

Our problem is that we think of repentance as something negative. When we recognize our sin, we prefer to "rededicate" our lives to God. We may even tell others we have resolved to be more faithful to God than we were before. Yet the Bible does not speak of rededicating oneself. It speaks of repentance! Repentance indicates a decisive change, not merely a wishful resolution. We have not repented if we continue in our sin!

Repentance involves a radical change of heart and mind in which we agree with God's evaluation of our sin and then take specific action to align ourselves with His will. A desire to change is not repentance. Repentance is always an active response to God's Word. The evidence of repentance is not words or resolve, but a changed life.



From Experiencing God Day By Day

Conviction of sin is one of the most uncommon things that ever happens to a person. It is the beginning of an understanding of God. Jesus Christ said that when the Holy Spirit came He would convict people of sin (John 16:8). And when the Holy Spirit stirs a person's conscience and brings him into the presence of God, it is not that person's relationship with others that bothers him but his relationship with God - "Against You, You only have I sinned, and done this evil in your sight" (Psalm 51:4).

Oswald Chambers



Emboldened

Main Passage for June 30 – Acts 4:8-21 CSB

Monday - Acts 4:8-10

Wednesday - Acts 4:13-14

Friday - Acts 4:18-20

Tuesday – Acts 4:11-12

Thursday - Acts 4:15-17

Saturday - Acts 4:21

Memory Verse: Acts 4:12

"There is salvation in no one else, for there is no other name under heaven given to people by which we must be saved."

Mission Statement

Glorifying God by connecting people to become fully devoted followers of Jesus Christ





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On Campus & Online

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Law and Grace

A common excuse for failing to tithe is, "I'm under grace, not the

The grace of God really is amazing. Yet, far too few Christians truly understand what grace is or how it operates. For one thing, the righteousness of grace always exceeds the righteousness of the Law. This is the essence of what Jesus said in Matthew 5:

Do not think that I came to destroy the Law or the Prophets. I did not come to destroy but to fulfill. For assuredly, I say to you, till heaven and earth pass away, one jot or one tittle will by no means pass from the law till all is fulfilled. Whoever therefore breaks one of the least of these commandments, and teaches men so, shall be called least in the kingdom of heaven; but whoever does and teaches them, he shall be called great in the kingdom of heaven. For I say to you, that unless your righteousness exceeds the righteousness of the scribes and Pharisees, you will by no means enter the kingdom of heaven (vv.17-20).

In this passage, we see an important truth - the righteousness of grace always exceeds the righteousness of the Law. Notice that each time Jesus points to an Old Covenant law, He then sets a higher standard under New Covenant grace.

For example, the Law said not to commit murder (see Exod. 20:13; Deut. 5:17), but Jesus said not even to be angry with your brother (see Matt. 5:22). A higher standard! The law said not to commit adultery (see Exod. 20:14; Deut. 5:18), but Jesus said not to even look at a woman lustfully (see Matt. 5:28). Once again a higher standard.

In other words, the righteousness that grace demands (and Jesus is grace) goes further than that which the Law demands.

That's why I smile when someone says to me, "I don't tithe because I'm not under the Law. I'm under grace." I respond by saying, "Oh, so you give according to grace?"" "Yes, that's right." Then I say, "Great! That means you give much more than 10 percent, because the righteousness of grace always exceeds the righteousness of the Law. It's a higher standard."

> To be continued... From The Blessed Life





Connect Church Prayer Request



PRAYER IS THE NEAREST APPROACH TO GOD AND THE HIGHEST ENJOYMENT OF HIM THAT WE ARE CAPABLE OF IN THIS LIFE.

WILLIAM LAW





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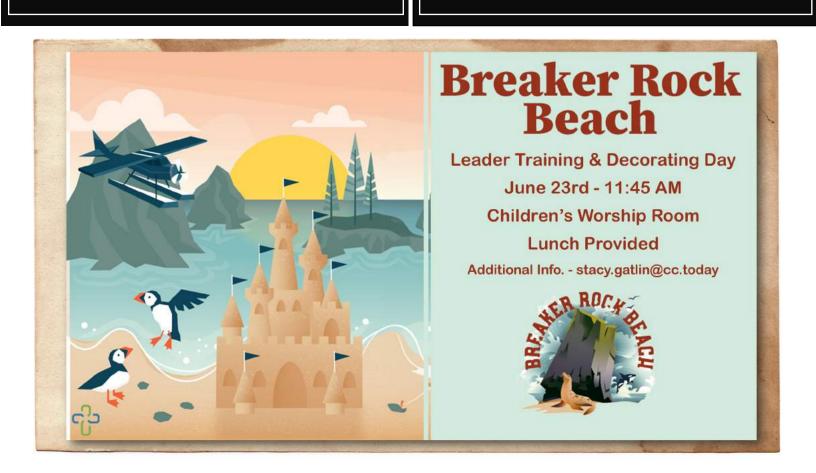
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June 24th - 28th

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June 24th - 28th

No Wednesday Programs

June 26th

Lord's Supper June 30th

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God's Truth Never Changes Vacation Bible School

> June 24th - 28th 9:00 AM - 12:00 PM

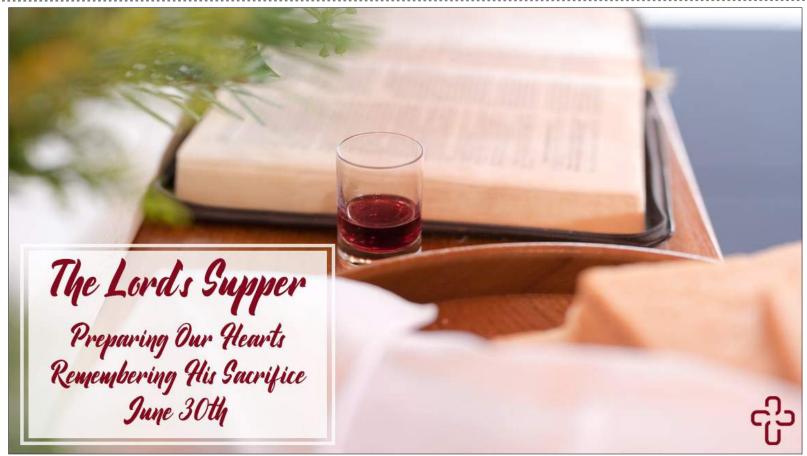


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MISSING

PIESES

WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY
BY JENNIFER ROTHSCHILD

July 3rd - 7:00 PM

Coffee Shop

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