

# REPENTANCE



The Bible Brite series will serve believers in their study of the Bible in a meaningful way. Grab your Bible and your Bible Brite study guide, and you are on your way.

**Repent** – to change one's way of life as the result of a complete change of thought and attitude concerning sin and righteousness. To turn from sin to God.

## **WHO NEEDS TO REPENT, ACCORDING TO JESUS?**

*Let's open the Bible to the book of Luke, the fifth chapter, and the twelfth verse:*

### **Luke 5:32 (NASB95)**

"I have not come to call the righteous but sinners to repentance."

1. Jesus is speaking to sinners.
2. He is calling on sinners to repent.
3. Jesus has come for this purpose.
4. If you are a sinner, you are called to repent by Jesus.

## **WHEN SHOULD A SINNER REPENT, AND WHAT DOES THAT LOOK LIKE?**

*Let's open our Bibles to Isaiah the fifty-fifth chapter, verses six and seven:*

### **Isaiah 55:6–7 (NLT)**

Seek the Lord while you can find him. Call on him now while he is near. Let the wicked change their ways and banish the very thought of doing wrong. Let them turn to the Lord that he may have mercy on them. Yes, turn to our God, for he will forgive generously.

1. Now is the time to repent, while God is near.
2. We must change our ways.
3. We must get rid of our Stinkin' Thinkin'.
4. We must turn from sin to the Lord.
5. He will have mercy on us.
6. He will Forgive us.

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## WHO DOES GOD WANT TO REPENT?

*Let's open our Bibles to second Peter chapter three and verse nine:*

### **2 Peter 3:9 (NASB95)**

The Lord is not slow about His promise, as some count slowness, but is patient toward you, not wishing for any to perish but for all to come to repentance.

1. The Lord doesn't wish any to perish.
2. The Lord wants all to come to repentance.
3. The Lord is patient toward all.

## HOW DOES OUR HEART BECOME AWARE OF OUR SIN?

*Let's open our Bibles to the book of Psalms the fifty-first chapter and the third verse and the book of John the sixteenth chapter and verse eight:*

### **Psalms 51:3 (NASB95)**

For I know my transgressions, And my sin is ever before me.

### **John 16:8 (NASB95)**

"And He, when He comes, will convict the world concerning sin and righteousness and judgment;

1. The Holy Spirit will show us our sinfulness.
2. Our own sinfulness weighs heavy on our heart.
3. We are aware of our sins.
4. We must acknowledge our sinfulness.

## WHAT MAKES US WANT TO REPENT?

*Let's open our Bibles to the book of Romans the second chapter and the fourth verse;*

### **Romans 2:4 (NASB95)**

Or do you think lightly of the riches of His kindness and tolerance and patience, not knowing that the kindness of God leads you to repentance?

1. God is kind, tolerant and patient toward us.
2. His kindness leads us to repentance.



## WHAT CAN WE TAKE AWAY FROM THIS STUDY?

1. We all need to repent because we are all sinners.
2. Now is the time to repent, do not wait.
3. The Lord doesn't want any to perish.
4. The Holy Spirit makes us aware of our sinfulness.
5. God is kind and calls for us to turn from sin to Him.