

Repent? Yeah, it's important!

John the Baptist

Matthew 3:2 "**Repent**, for the kingdom of heaven is at hand."

Jesus Christ

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

The message when Jesus sent out the disciples two by two

Mark 6:12 "They went out and preached that men should **repent**."

Jesus to the disciples on the day of His resurrection

Luke 24:46-47 and He said to them, "Thus it is written, that the Christ would suffer and rise again from the dead the third day, and that **repentance** for forgiveness of sins would be proclaimed in His name to all the nations, beginning from Jerusalem.

The Apostle Peter on the day of Pentecost

Acts 2:38 "Peter said to them, "**repent**, and each of you be baptized in the name of Jesus Christ for the forgiveness of your sins; and you will receive the gift of the Holy Spirit."

Peter's words after he prayed for the lame man to be healed

Acts 3:19 "Therefore **repent** and return, so that your sins may be wiped away, in order that times of refreshing may come from the presence of the Lord;"

Paul's words to King Agrippa prior to his voyage to Rome

Acts 26:19-20 "So, King Agrippa, I did not prove disobedient to the heavenly vision, but *kept* declaring both to those of Damascus first, and also at Jerusalem and then throughout all the region of Judea, and even to the Gentiles, that they should **repent** and turn to God, performing deeds appropriate to **repentance**.

Jesus' words to five of the seven churches in the book of Revelation

Revelation 2:5 to the church at Ephesus "Therefore remember from where you have fallen, and **repent** and do the deeds you did at first; or else I am coming to you and will remove your lampstand out of its place—unless you **repent**.

Revelation 2:16 to the church at Pergamum: "Therefore **repent**; or else I am coming to you quickly, and I will make war against them with the sword of My mouth.

Revelation 2:20-21 to the church at Thyatira: "But I have this against you, that you tolerate the woman Jezebel, who calls herself a prophetess, and she teaches and leads My bond-servants astray so that they commit acts of immorality and eat things sacrificed to idols. 'I gave her time to **repent**, and she does not want to **repent** of her immorality.

Revelation 3:3 to the church at Sardis: "So remember what you have received and heard; and keep it, and **repent**. Therefore if you do not wake up, I will come like a thief, and you will not know at what hour I will come to you.

Revelation 3:19 to the church at Laodicea: "Those whom I love, I reprove and discipline; therefore be zealous and **repent**."

Repent → metanoeo
Repentance → metanoia
To turn or return → epistrepho

Luke 15:11-24

(11) And He said, "A man had two sons. (12) "The younger of them said to his father, 'Father, give me the share of the estate that falls to me.' So he divided his wealth between them. (13) "And not many days later, the younger son gathered everything together and went on a journey into a distant country, and there he squandered his estate with loose living. (14) "Now when he had spent everything, a severe famine occurred in that country, and he began to be impoverished. (15) "So he went and hired himself out to one of the citizens of that country, and he sent him into his fields to feed swine. (16) "And he would have gladly filled his stomach with the pods that the swine were eating, and no one was giving anything to him. (17) "**But when he came to his senses**, he said, 'How many of my father's hired men have more than enough bread, but I am dying here with hunger! (18) '**I will get up and go to my father**, and will say to him, "Father, I have sinned against heaven, and in your sight; (19) I am no longer worthy to be called your son; make me as one of your hired men.'" (20) "So he got up and came to his father. But while he was still a long way off, his father saw him and felt compassion for him, and ran and embraced him and kissed him. (21) "And the son said to him, 'Father, I have sinned against heaven and in your sight; I am no longer worthy to be called your son.' (22) "But the father said to his slaves, 'Quickly bring out the best robe and put it on him, and put a ring on his hand and sandals on his feet; (23) and bring the fattened calf, kill it, and let us eat and celebrate; (24) for this son of mine **was dead** and has **come to life again**; he **was lost** and **has been found**.' And they began to celebrate. (NASB)

Second Corinthians 7:10

Godly sorrow brings **repentance** that leads to salvation and leaves no regret, but worldly sorrow brings death. (NIV)

Luke 13:1-9

(1) Now on the same occasion there were some present who reported to Him about the Galileans whose blood Pilate had mixed with their sacrifices. (2) And Jesus said to them, "Do you suppose that these Galileans were greater sinners than all other Galileans because they suffered this fate? (3) "I tell you, no, but unless you **repent**, you will all likewise perish. (4) "Or do you suppose that those eighteen on whom the tower in Siloam fell and killed them were worse culprits than all the men who live in Jerusalem? (5) "I tell you, no, but unless you **repent**, you will all likewise perish." (6) And He began telling this parable: "A man had a fig tree which had been planted in his vineyard; and he came looking for fruit on it and did not find any. (7) "And he said to the vineyard-keeper, 'Behold, for three years I have come looking for fruit on this fig tree without finding any. Cut it down! Why does it even use up the ground?' (8) "And he answered and said to him, 'Let it alone, sir, for this year too, until I dig around it and put in fertilizer; (9) and if it bears fruit next year, fine; but if not, cut it down.'" (NASB)