"The Key of David" (3)

"I have found in David the son of Jesse a man after my heart, who will do all my will." (Hots 13:22)

Repentance Readiness

2 Samuel 11:27 — "And when the mourning was over, David sent and brought her to his house, and she became his wife and bore him a son. But the thing that David had done displeased the LORD."

2 Samuel 12:7, 9, 13 – (7) "Nathan said to David, 'You are the man! Thus says the LORD, the God of Israel, 'I anointed you king over Israel, and I delivered you out of the hand of Saul. (9) Why have you despised the word of the LORD, to do what is evil in his sight? You have struck down Uriah the Hittite with the sword and have taken his wife to be your wife and have killed him with the sword of the Ammonites. (13) David said to Nathan, 'I have sinned against the LORD.' And Nathan said to David, 'The LORD also has put away your sin; you shall not die.'"

<u>Psalm 32:3-5</u> – (3) "For when I kept silent, my bones wasted away through my groaning all day long. (4) For day and night your hand was heavy upon me; my strength was dried up as by the heat of summer. (5) I acknowledged my sin to you, and I did not cover my iniquity; I said, 'I will confess my transgressions to the LORD,' and you forgave the iniquity of my sin.'"

Proactive Penitence

<u>Psalm 139:23-24</u> – (23) "Search me, O God, and know my heart! Try me and know my thoughts! (24) And see if there be any grievous way in me, and lead me in the way everlasting!"

Key Point: Repentance precedes Abundance

<u>Hosea 14:1-7</u> – (1) "Return, O Israel, to the LORD your God, for you have stumbled because of your iniquity. (2) Take with you words and return to the LORD; say to him, 'Take away all iniquity; accept what is good, and we will pay with bulls the vows of our lips. (3) Assyria shall not save us; we will not ride on horses; and we will say no more, 'Our God,' to the work of our hands. In you the orphan finds mercy.' (4) I will heal their apostasy; I will love them freely, for my anger has turned from them. (5) <u>I will be like the dew to Israel; he shall blossom like</u> the lily; he shall take root like the trees of Lebanon; (6) his shoots shall spread out;

his beauty shall be like the olive, and his fragrance like Lebanon. (7) They shall return and dwell beneath my shadow; they shall flourish like the grain; they shall blossom like the vine; their fame shall be like the wine of Lebanon."

Takeaways:

"All these things my hand has made, and so all these things came to be, declares the Lord. But this is the one to whom I will look: he who is humble and contrite in spirit and trembles at my word." (Isaiah 66:2)

"The Lord is not slow to fulfill his promise as some count slowness, but is patient toward you, not wishing that any should perish, but that all should reach repentance." (2 Peter 3:9)

"...godly grief produces a repentance that leads to salvation... worldly grief produces death." (2 Corinthians 7:10)

"If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness." (1 John 1:9)

Questions:

What impacted me the most in this message? Have I developed an orientation towards repentance? Do I have to be careful of hardness of heart? (Heb. 3:13) What are some things I may need to repent of? (Rom. 1:29-31; Gal. 5:19-21; Col. 3:5, 8)

(ESV used unless otherwise noted)