



REPENTANCE FROM DEAD WORKS

Lesson 2

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BAPTISMAL CLASS



Memory Verse

Whoever **conceals** his transgressions will not prosper, but he who **confesses** and forsakes them will obtain mercy.

- Proverbs 28:13

Therefore let us leave the elementary doctrine of Christ and go on to maturity, not laying again a foundation of repentance from dead works and of faith toward God, and of instruction about washings, the laying on of hands, the resurrection of the dead, and eternal judgment.

- Hebrews 6:1-2

Introduction

This is the first fundamental doctrine of Christ in the scripture. Nobody can lay claim to being born again without the step of genuine repentance.

REPENTANCE FROM DEAD WORKS

- **What does Repentance mean?**

It is a firm conscious personal decision to change from sin (obedience to the devil) to righteousness in obedience towards God, living holy, it is not an emotion. Hebrews 6:1-2 Acts 3:19; 1Thessalonians 1:5-10.

- **Repentance must involve the following steps**

- ✓ Acknowledge the fact that you have sinned. Romans 3:23
- ✓ Confess your sins. 1 John 1:8-10. (If we confess our sins....)
- ✓ Ask God for forgiveness and His mercy. Isa. 55:7 ,
- ✓ Ask for Divine ability to forsake your sins. Prov. 28:13;

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- **How important is the subject to us as believers?**

Genuine repentance is followed by desirable fruits of love, peace, patience faith etc. Luke 3:7-9. Jesus our Lord and master commanded us to repent and be saved. Mark 6:12, Luke 24:46-47; Peter commended it Acts 2:37-38; Paul commended it Acts 17: 30-3;

“Nobody can say he is born again without genuine repentance”

- **What are the dead works from which we must repent?**

- ✓ Sin Ephsians 4: 25-31
- ✓ The works of the flesh Phil3: 1-3, Gal.5:19-21 3.
- ✓ Idols 1Thes 1:9
- ✓ Empty religion and all unrighteousness 2 Tim3:1-9, I Cor. 6:9-11



IDENTITY OF SIN

- Sin is Attractive to sinners
- Sin is not beautiful
- Saints will need to shine light and unveil its mask. You will see what the sin is truly is
- Sin is like vomit no matter how you make it look good as a Christian it is still vomit!



ELEMENTS OF GENUINE REPENTANCE

Conviction - Before any sinner can repent, he must be convicted that he has urgent need to make his way right With God.

Psalm 38: 4; 51: 3; Acts 2:37

Convicted means "to prove or determine to be guilty, as by the conscience".

My guilt has
overwhelmed me
like a burden too heavy to bear

Psalms 38: 4 (NLT)

Psalm 51:3 (NLT)

For I know my transgressions,
and my sin is always before
me

ELEMENTS OF GENUINE REPENTANCE

Godly sorrow: This comes because of conviction by the Holy Spirit leading to repentance.

2 Cor 7:10

2 Corinthians 7:10	
Godly Sorrow	Worldly Sorrow
Pushes you into God's arms	Causes you to hide from God
Involves the whole person: Intellect, emotions, and results in life change	Is not integrated holistically, leading to internal dissonance
Has faith in the sufficiency of Jesus's sacrifice for all sins	Causes you to punish yourself
Gives life	Hardens the heart, leads to internal deadness
Rests in the grace of God	Doubts God's goodness and love
Sincerely desires to return to healthy ways of relating to God and others	Despairs over consequences and/or realization of personal flaws and weaknesses
Leads to eternal salvation	Leads to eternal death and destruction

2 Corinthians 7:10 (NIV)

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

Liking your Christian
life as a home!

When you give your
life to God, he is a
guest!



You need to make
God feel at
home, that means
opening and
revealing all the
negative and
positive of
yourself and life!
It is an ongoing
walk; it stops
when we die!

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Reunification

True repentance involves grief and hatred for sin while turning from it to God.

Is 55:7

Let the **wicked forsake their ways**, and the **unrighteous their thoughts**. Let them **turn to the LORD**, and he will have **mercy on them**, and to our God, for he will **freely pardon**.

- Isaiah 55:7

The Prodigal Son

Every time we give our life to Christ,
there is a **REUNIFICATION**



REMORSE	REPENTANCE
Short-lived	Long-term
Involves emotions	Involves emotion and will
Distressed by the consequences	Distraught by his actions
Makes vague resolutions	Makes specific restitution
Wants public attention	Humbly accepts obscurity
Desires immediate return to positions of ministry/authority	Recognizes need to rebuild trust over time.
Makes external displays of contrition	Displays internal development and change
Finds fault in how he is treated in the process of discipline	Exhibits submission to the humbling process of discipline
Hesitates to follow counsel in relation to reconciliation/restitution	Initiates action toward restoring broken relationships and making restitution

REMORSE

May lead to death
Comes from emotion
Regret for wrongdoing
Shallow and transient concern about sin. Turbulent life of sorrow and failure.

GOD WANTS
A REPENTANT HEART
NOT ONLY
A REMORSEFUL HEART!

Genuine Repentance vs Remorse



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GENUINE REPENTANCE

- ✓ Leads to salvation.
- ✓ Comes from the Spirit.
- ✓ Godly sorrow for sin.
- ✓ Heartfelt confession and desire to forsake sin.
- ✓ Physical manifestation of holy life, thoughts and work

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What are the results of genuine repentance; Psalms 51: 12-14

- ✓ Cleansing with the blood of Jesus by faith.
I John 1: 7-9.
- ✓ Assurance of forgiveness. Rom 5: 1.
- ✓ No more condemnation thus ability to have fruitful fellowship with God in prayer. Rm 8:1.
- ✓ Justification as if sins never occurred. A new creation.
II Cor 5: 17.
- ✓ Peace with God and man. Is 30:15.
- ✓ Burden of sin is lifted resulting in a time of refreshing.
Acts 3:9.
- ✓ Joy of salvation. Psalms 51:12-14

1 John 1:7-9 (NIV)

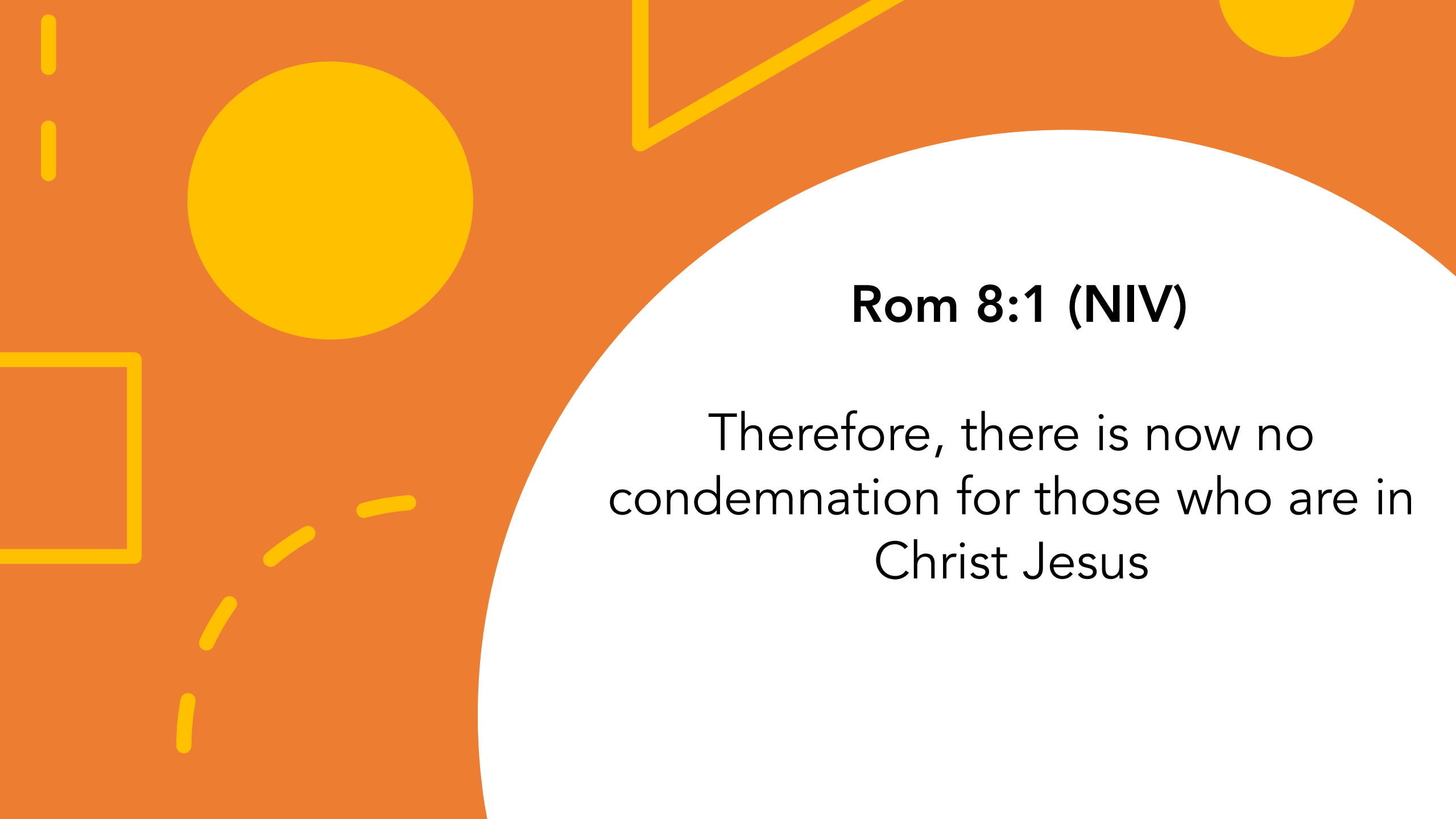
But if we walk in the light, as he is in the light, we have fellowship with one another, and the blood of Jesus, his Son, purifies us from all^[a] sin.

⁸ If we claim to be without sin, we deceive ourselves and the truth is not in us. ⁹ If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just and will forgive us our sins and purify us from all unrighteousness.



Rom 5:1 (NIV)

Therefore, since we have been
justified through faith, we have
peace with God through our Lord
Jesus Christ



Rom 8:1 (NIV)

Therefore, there is now no
condemnation for those who are in
Christ Jesus

2 Corinthians 5:17 (NIV)

Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, the new creation has come: The old has gone, the new is here!

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Are you ready
to give your life
to Christ?

CONCLUSION

Remember, God is not mocked Psalm 86:5.
The wages of sin is death but, God is
ready to forgive if there is a genuine
repentance.



SALVATION

IS FOUND IN NO ONE ELSE

THERE IS NO OTHER NAME UNDER HEAVEN
GIVEN TO MEN, BY WHICH WE MUST

BE SAVED

ACTS 4:12

Prayer for Salvation

Dear Jesus,

Thank you for taking all my sin, pain, burden and all my shortcomings. I believe and know you are the Son of God, that you loved me first by dying on the cross to rescue me from sin, death to lead me to eternal freedom, and to restore me with the heavenly Father.

I choose now to turn from my sins, my self-centeredness, and every part of my life that is not inline with your word and does not please you. Lord Jesus I choose you now and forever.

I give my heart, soul and all I am to you, I receive your forgiveness and ask you to take your rightful place in my life as my Savior, Father, Best friend, Guide, Teacher, and Lord. Come reign in my heart, fill me with your love, peace, joy, and kindness.

I am aware this is a daily walk, I ask for your divine strength today, to give me the grace to wake up each morning and choose you regardless of what each day brings. Thank you, Lord, for accepting me imperfectly and loving me before, after and forever.

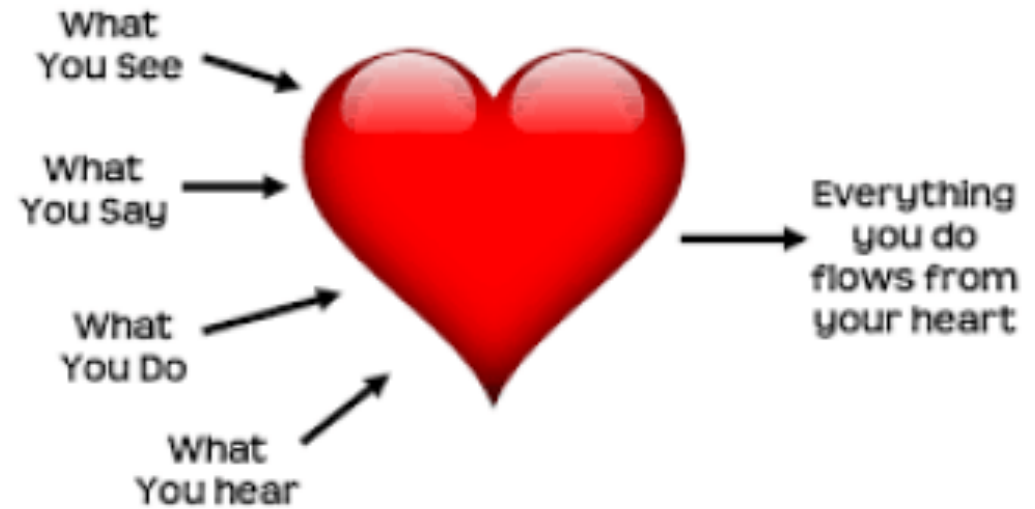
Thank you, God. In Jesus' name I pray. Amen.

Daily Reminder

Above all else,
guard your heart,
for everything
you do flows from it
Proverbs 4:23



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Questions