

Children's House Church - Bible Study (Week 10/22 ~ 28)

Title: What is repentance?

Bible Story: Isaiah warned of God's judgment

Bible Passage: Isaiah 48:17-19

Today's Bible Study Time

1. Read the Bible passage together.
 2. Share the summary story and discussion questions.
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[Bible Passage]

- 17 This is what the LORD says— your Redeemer, the Holy One of Israel:
“I am the LORD your God, who teaches you what is best for you,
who directs you in the way you should go.**
- 18 If only you had paid attention to my commands,
your peace would have been like a river, your well-being like the waves of the sea.**
- 19 Your descendants would have been like the sand,
your children like its numberless grains;**

[Summary Point – True Repentance]

- 1. Stop:** Stop doing what is wrong in the eyes of God (Sin)
 - 2. Turn Around:** Turn around from sin so that you would not face sin
 - 3. Walk Toward:** Walk toward Jesus continually
- True repentance is not just about saying sorry to God and asking God's forgiveness. We must stop, turn around, and walk toward Jesus.
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[Summary Story]

Isaiah was a prophet to the kingdom of Judah. He had seen a vision of what would happen to the city of Jerusalem. He warned that God's judgment was coming to the people.

God's people had chosen to turn away from Him and worship idols and false gods like their neighbors did. Isaiah said that God's judgment was coming for the nations around Judah.

Then he said that judgment was coming to Judah too. Judah's enemy—the Babylonians—would come into Jerusalem and take over the city. Isaiah told the people to repent. In his vision, Isaiah saw that instead of turning back to God, they ignored his warning.

The people of Judah would be punished for their sin, but Isaiah also brought them a message of hope. God's people would be captured by the Babylonians, but one day they would be set free.

God would punish their sin because He wanted what was best for them. God would act for His glory and their good. "When you escape from Babylon," Isaiah said, "Go tell the good news of what God has done for you."

[Discussion Questions]

Q1. What does this story teach me about God?

Q2. What does God's warning to the people of Judah teach us about sin?

Q3. How did God show patience with the people of Judah?

Q4. Does God want everyone to repent? Why?

[Christ Connection]

God sent Isaiah to warn of His coming judgment. A greater day of judgment is coming when God will judge sin for a final time. Jesus came to die on the cross and rise again. Everyone who repents of sin and trusts in Jesus will be safe from God's judgment and have eternal life.