

NEW LIFE PRINCIPLES

**LESSON 1
REPENTANCE**

- A. Memorize *Proverbs 28:13*.
- B. Write the answers to the following questions **in your own words**. The answers are found in the accompanying Scripture.

- 1. Write out from memory *Proverbs 28:13*. _____

- 2. What must we do to avoid death (separation from God)? *Luke 13:3*. _____

- 3. What is the result of repentance? *Acts 11:8*. _____

Repentance is an essential part of coming into the salvation of God. If there is no repentance, there can be no salvation. Look up these other statements about repentance: *Mark 1:15; Acts 20:21*. “Only true _____ can lead us to eternal life.”

- 4. In *Psalms 51:4* there is something about sin that we must realize. Who have we sinned against? _____
Look up *Romans 6:23*. What does this say about the result of sin?

- 5. What does Godly sorrow do? *II Corinthians 7:10*. _____
- 6. Look up *Isaiah 55:7*. What does it say that the wicked and unrighteous man must do?

We must all deliberately turn away from sin, and begin to follow God and do what He tells us to do.

- 7. In the following Bible verses it will be clear that we must confess our sins to God and He will certainly forgive us. What must we do in order to receive forgiveness for our sins? *Proverbs 28:13; I John 1:9*. _____

To “confess” means that we must pray to God, and admit that we have sinned, and ask him to forgive us for our sins. The Bible is clear that God **will** forgive us for our sins (remove and forgive them) if we ask Him.

- 8. Look up *Acts 16:31* and *Acts 20:21*. What do both of these verses tell us we must do?

- Now look at *John 1:12*. What does it tell us about Jesus Christ? _____

9. What are the results of true repentance?
- a. A new love for God and determination to serve Him. *1 Peter 2:24; Romans 6:13; Romans 12:1,2.*
 - b. Freedom from sin and guilt. *Romans 8:1; Philippians 4:6,7.*
 - c. A love for righteousness and morality. *Ephesians 4:24; Colossians 1:22.*
 - d. A new peace and joy in living a life centered on God. *John 14:27; Romans 15:13.*
10. Whom does God command to repent? *Acts 17:30* _____
11. What is the most important truth you have learned from this lesson? _____
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C. If you have any questions or comments on any area you would like to discuss, write them here: _____

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SCRIPTURE REFERENCES

Proverbs 28:13	He that covereth his sins shall not prosper: but whosoever <u>confesseth</u> and <u>forsaketh</u> [them] shall have mercy.
Luke 13:3	I tell you, Nay: but, except ye repent, ye shall all likewise perish.
Acts 11:18	Then hath God also to the Gentiles granted <u>repentance</u> unto life.
Mark 1:15	The time is fulfilled, and the kingdom of God is at hand: <u>repent</u> ye, and believe the gospel.
Acts 20:21	Testifying both to the Jews, and also to the Greeks, <u>repentance</u> toward <u>God</u> and <u>faith</u> toward our Lord Jesus Christ.
Psalms 51:4	Against thee, <u>thee only</u> , have <u>I sinned</u> , and done [this] evil in thy sight: That thou mightest be justified when thou speakest, [and] be clear when thou judgest.
Romans 6:23	For the <u>wages</u> of sin [is] <u>death</u> ; but the gift of God [is] eternal life through Jesus Christ our Lord.
II Corinthians 7:10	For godly sorrow <u>worketh repentance</u> to <u>salvation</u> not to be repented of: but the sorrow of the world worketh death.

Isaiah 55:7 Let the wicked forsake his way, and the unrighteous man his thoughts; and let him return unto the Lord, and he will have mercy upon him; and to our God, for he will abundantly pardon.

I John 1:9 If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just to forgive us [our] sins, and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

Acts 16:31 And they said, Believe on the Lord Jesus Christ, and thou shalt be saved, and thy house.

John 1:12 But as many as received him, to them gave he power to become the sons of God, [even] to them that believe on his name:

I Peter 1: 24 Who his own self bare our sins in his own body on the tree, that we, being dead to sins, should live unto righteousness: by whose stripes ye were healed.

Romans 6:13 Neither yield ye your members [as] instruments of unrighteousness unto sin: but yield yourselves unto God, as those that are alive from the dead, and your members [as] instruments of righteousness unto God.

Romans 12:1-2 I beseech you therefore, brethren, by the mercies of God, that ye present your bodies a living sacrifice, holy, acceptable unto God, [which is] your reasonable service. And be not conformed to this world: but be ye transformed by the renewing of your mind, that ye may prove what [is] that good, and acceptable, and perfect, will of God.

Romans 8:1 [There is] therefore now no condemnation to them which are in Christ Jesus, who walk not after the flesh, but after the Spirit.

Philippians 4:6-7 Be careful for nothing; but in every thing by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known unto God. And the peace of God, which passeth all understanding, shall keep your hearts and minds through Christ Jesus.

Ephesians 4:24 And that ye put on the new man, which after God is created in righteousness and true holiness.

Colossians 1:22 In the body of His flesh through death, to present you holy and unblamable and unreprieveable in His sight.

John 14:27 Peace I leave with you, my peace I give unto you: not as the world giveth, Give I unto you. Let not your heart be troubled, neither let it be afraid.

Romans 15:13 Now the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing, that ye may abound in hope, through the power of the Holy Ghost.

Acts 17:30 And the times of this ignorance God winked at; but now commandeth all men every where to repent: