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JOHN 14:6 (ESV)

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LUKE 12:54-57 (ESV)

54 He said to the crowd: "When you see a cloud rising in the west, immediately you say, 'It's going to rain,' and it does. 55 And when the south wind blows, you say, 'It's going to be hot,' and it is. 56 Hypocrites! You know how to interpret the appearance of the earth and the sky. How is it that you don't know how to interpret this present time?' 57 "Why don't you judge for yourselves what is right?"

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LUKE 12:58-59 (ESV)

58 As you are going with your adversary to the magistrate, try hard to be reconciled on the way, or your adversary may drag you off to the judge, and the judge turn you over to the officer, and the officer throw you into prison. 59 I tell you, you will not get out until you have paid the last penny."

LUKE 13:1-5 (ESV)

1 There were some present at that very time who told him about the Galileans whose blood Pilate had mingled with their sacrifices. 2 And he answered them, "Do you think that these Galileans were worse sinners than all the other Galileans, because they suffered in this way? 3 No, I tell you; but unless you repent, you will all likewise perish. 4 Or those eighteen on whom the tower in Siloam fell and killed them: do you think that they were worse offenders than all the others who lived in Jerusalem? 5 No, I tell you; but unless you repent, you will all likewise perish."



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3. JESUS REQUIRES REPENTANCE

“When our Lord and Master Jesus Christ said “Repent,” he intended that the entire life of believers should be repentance”. – Martin Luther (95 Theses)

THREE CHARACTERISTICS OF REPENTANCE:

1. CONFESSION – CHANGE OF MIND
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HOW TO SHARE THE GOOD NEWS OF REPENTANCE:

LUKE 5:31-32 (ESV)

31 And Jesus answered them, “Those who are well have no need of a physician, but those who are sick. 32 I have not come to call the righteous but sinner to repentance.”

1. INTERCEDE - pray
2. INVEST - serve
3. INVITE – bring

ACTS 26:17 (ESV)

I am sending you to them 18 to open their eyes and turn them from darkness to light, and from the power of Satan to God, so that they may receive forgiveness of sins and a place among those who are sanctified by faith in me.’

HOMEWORK:

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