

True Repentance

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DISCUSSION POINTS:

- ❖ What has happened in your life to bring you to repentance?
- ❖ Do you repent daily?
- ❖ Who have you treated like the "older brother"?
- ❖ When you repent do you "continue" or do you "waddle"?

SUMMARY:

Repentance is a **commitment** to personal change and complete reconciliation to obedience. As believers we are to do three things for repentance to work; **Confession, Ceasing, and Continuation**. When our sin(s) are against another person we must try to make restitution for the wrong, or in some way reverse the harmful effects of the wrong when possible.

Luke 15:17-20 ¹⁷"when he came to himself, he said, 'How many of my father's hired servants have bread enough and to spare, and I perish with hunger! ¹⁸I will arise and go to my father, and will say to him, 'Father, I have sinned against heaven and before you, ¹⁹and I am no longer worthy to be called your son. Make me like one of your hired servants.'" ²⁰"And he arose and came to his father... (NKJV)

Luke 15:25-32 ²⁵"Now his older son was in the field. And as he came and drew near to the house, he heard music and dancing. ²⁶So he called one of the servants and asked what these things meant. ²⁷And he said to him, 'Your brother has come, and because he has received him safe and sound, your father has killed the fatted calf.' ²⁸"But he was angry and would not go in. Therefore his father came out and pleaded with him. ²⁹So he answered and said to *his* father, 'Lo, these many years I have been serving you; I never transgressed your commandment at any time; and yet you never gave me a young goat, that I might make merry with my friends. ³⁰But as soon as this son of yours came, who has devoured your livelihood with harlots, you killed the fatted calf for him.' ³¹"And he said to him, 'Son, you are always with me, and all that I have is yours. ³²It was right that we should make merry and be glad, for your brother was dead and is alive again, and was lost and is found.'" (NKJV)

APPLICATION:

2 Corinthians 7:14 - ¹⁴ If My people who are called by My name will humble themselves, and pray and seek My face, and turn from their wicked ways, then I will hear from heaven, and will forgive their sin and heal their land.

ON YOUR OWN...

Psalm 51
Ephesians 2:8-9
Hebrews 6:1-3

NOTES: