

40 Days of Prayer Praying For Healing and Restoration 2 Chronicles 7:14 & Luke 18:9-14

We are living in an age of material prosperity and moral and spiritual poverty.

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Some Introductory Observations:

- This is not a promise for _____
- This is a promise with a _____

Powerful Prerequisites

1. _____

Humility is a proper view of myself that leads me to _____ my sin, _____ my need and _____ God's grace.

Humility is seeing myself as God sees me; no more and no less.

Q: How is humility developed?

A:

Luke 18:9-14: A Study in Contrasts

The Pharisee had:

- A good eye on _____
- A bad eye on _____
- No eye on _____

The secret to developing humility is:

- Not looking _____ at ourselves
- Not looking _____ at others
- Looking _____ at the face of God

I seek God because He is _____

Seek God's face, not just God's _____

"And without faith it is impossible to please him, for whoever would draw near to God must believe that he exists and that he rewards those who seek him." (Hebrews 11:6)

2. _____

*"True repentance must include everything that is offensive to God, including the secret sins of the heart, which are often the most devastating sins."
Richard Owen Roberts*

We must deal with the root of sin, not just the fruit of sin.

Genuine Repentance Involves:

- A change of _____

“Blessed are those who mourn, for they shall be comforted.” (Matthew 5:4)

- A change of _____

“But when he saw many of the Pharisees and Sadducees coming to his baptism, he said to them, “You brood of vipers! Who warned you to flee from the wrath to come? Bear fruit in keeping with repentance.” (Matthew 3:7-8)

“Therefore, O King Agrippa, I was not disobedient to the heavenly vision, but declared first to those in Damascus, then in Jerusalem and throughout all the region of Judea, and also to the Gentiles, that they should repent and turn to God, performing deeds in keeping with their repentance.”

(Acts 26:19-20)

In response to God’s Spirit, we must live life as a life-long repenter. A repenter will:

- _____ their mind with the truth from Scripture consistently
- _____ God’s discipline faithfully
- _____ to God immediately
- _____ God completely
- _____ God personally

“Whoever conceals his transgressions will not prosper, but he who confesses and forsakes them will obtain mercy.” (Proverbs 28:13)

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Making It Personal

- Where in my life do I need to experience God’s healing and restoration?
- What will it look like for me to choose humility and practice repentance?
- Who can I share these truths with?