



## Repentance Matters

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## WEEK 41

Isaiah 22:1-14

***1 The burden against the Valley of Vision. What ails you now, that you have all gone up to the housetops, 2 you who are full of noise, a tumultuous city, a joyous city? Your slain men are not slain with the sword, nor dead in battle. 3 All your rulers have fled together; They are captured by the archers. All who are found in you are bound together; They have fled from afar. 4 Therefore I said, "Look away from me, I will weep bitterly; Do not labor to comfort me because of the plundering of the daughter of my people." 5 For it is a day of trouble and treading down and perplexity by the Lord GOD of hosts in the Valley of Vision— breaking down the walls and of crying to the mountain. 6 Elam bore the quiver with chariots of men and horsemen, and Kir uncovered the shield. 7 It shall come to pass that your choicest valleys shall be full of chariots, and the horsemen shall set themselves in array at the gate. 8 He removed the protection of Judah. You looked in that day to the armor of the House of the Forest; 9 You also saw the damage to the city of David, that it was great; And you gathered together the waters of the lower pool. 10 You numbered the houses of Jerusalem, and the houses you broke down to fortify the wall. 11 You also made a reservoir between the two walls for the water of the old pool. But you did not look to its Maker, nor did you have respect for Him who fashioned it long ago.***

***12 And in that day the Lord GOD of hosts called for weeping and for mourning, for baldness and for girding with sackcloth. 13 But instead, joy and gladness, slaying oxen and killing sheep, eating meat and drinking wine: "Let us eat and drink, for tomorrow we die!" 14 Then it was revealed in my hearing by the LORD of hosts, "Surely for this iniquity there will be no atonement for you, even to your death," says the Lord GOD of hosts.***

(Isaiah 22:1-14, NKJV)

### Setting:

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(see 2 Kings 18-19; 2 Chronicles 32; Isaiah 36).

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**Notes:**

**Take Away:**

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## What do you need to repent of personally?

Some of these might apply to you. Some may not. Examine yourself. Is there something in your life from which you need to repent? Below is a list for you to look at. More could be added to it.

- o Materialism - you find your security in wealth, houses, or stuff
- o Hedonism - you have addictions to alcohol, drugs, entertainment, gambling, lifestyle habits, or more
- o Relativism - you redefine good and evil to make yourself feel comfortable and/or nonjudgmental
- o Leadership - you are harsh and demanding at home and/or at work
- o Favoritism and/or discrimination toward certain people groups or cultures
- o You have created disfunction in your family unit and/or destroyed it
- o You wrestle with sexual sins, pornography, or lusting
- o You embrace the lifestyle and/or worldview that says, "I'll do it my way"
- o You engage in gossiping, slandering, or vulgar speech
- o You support or had an abortion that killed an unborn baby
- o You glorify "individualism" and "American Pride" as the ultimate good instead of pointing people to Jesus
- o You support gender dysphoria instead of allowing God to define a man and a woman

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## What do we turn to as Christians?

If repentance is a change from the direction from sin to God, then to what are we turning? Here is a list to help you.

- o We TURN TO being content with whatever riches we may or may not have in life
- o We TURN TO healing the wounds from our past so that we don't look to drugs, alcohol, or other things to cope
- o We TURN TO biblical truth and good as God defines it
- o We TURN TO servant leadership
- o We TURN TO showing kindness and dignity to all people, regardless of where they are from or how they look
- o We TURN TO the repairing relationships and living as God called husbands and wives to live
- o We TURN TO enjoying sex within a marriage between one man and one woman
- o We TURN TO justice and righteousness
- o We TURN TO wholesome speech that encourages
- o We TURN TO humility and owning our mistakes
- o We TURN TO the gift of life and joy of babies
- o We TURN TO loving others, even your enemies
- o We TURN TO the distinctness of males and female bodies
- o We TURN TO womanhood and manhood as God defines it
- o We TURN TO the getting our identity from God

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## What is God calling you to "turn to?"

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