



HANOVERDALE CHURCH

Curious Conversations

Can a person be saved without repentance

DEVOTIONALS FOR THE WEEK OF:

August 30, 2026

In our new Curious Conversations Series, we will stretch ourselves to answer questions that we have not thought about, based on questions that you have asked. This week, we start with the question, Why is repentance necessary in salvation.

Monday: Matthew 4:17; Luke 24:46-47; Acts 2:38

What do we know about what Jesus thought about repentance? Was it a necessary step from His teaching? What does that mean to you in your life? What does the the nearing of God's Kingdom have to do with the need to repent of sin? Why did Jesus suffer and die? What happens when we repent according to the Luke 24 passage? Jesus never travelled to the far corners of the world, but He taught that repentance should be proclaimed everywhere. Whom does this include? Did the apostles also preach repentance? What was Peter's message in Acts 2? If Jesus and the apostles preached repentance, then it goes without saying that the Church for all time should preach repentance. Have you repented for your sins?

Tuesday: Acts 17:30-31 Corinthians 5:10

What was true before the Word of God was completed? Why might God have overlooked a person's sin? Do you think that He overlooked all sin? What were the parameters of when He might overlook a sin? When did that change, and why? What happens when someone ignores Jesus and willingly refuses to repent? Today, thank God for coming to earth and dying to forgive your sin. If there is sin in your life, repent. It is not optional. Every person will be held accountable. Only those who confess their sin, and repent will be saved.

Wednesday: Acts 26:20; Matthew 3:8

What was Paul's message to King Agrippa? Notice the word 'turn' What was he asking of the king? What does repentance mean in this context? If you need to repent, what are you going to do with your thinking and lifestyle? Why is it important to turn and walk in the opposite direction? Is God always right to tell us to repent? Why? Understand that changing direction is an act of faith and obedience. Do you think that repentance is a once and done event, or should we repent anytime we fall short of God's expectation? What will repentance help you do according to Matthew 3:8?

Thursday: Job 42:5-6, James 4:8-9, 2 Corinthians 7:9-10

What is necessary for a person to be saved? What causes a person to become convicted of their sin? Just how sinful is your sin? Why does sin separate you from God? What does that mean to be separated from God? You do not want to be separated and die in your sins. What did Job do when He discovered that he was sinful when compared to God's holiness? What did James do when he realized his sin condition? What does true grief do when we repent? What happens when we don't?

Friday: 2 Peter 3:9; Romans 2:4; 1 Timothy 1:15-16

Today spend time being thankful for God's patience with you. Why is God patient? In what way is He patient toward you? What does God hope for you? Why did Jesus come to the earth? Thank God that He is kind and merciful concerning our sin? We don't know how long suffering He will be toward your sin. Don't assume it will be forever. Assume a posture of repentance today. "

Saturday: Acts 1:18; Romans 10:14-17; Mark 1:15

There are two paths in life. What are they? Are you walking the path that leads to life? What is necessary for walking this path? Why is repentance a must? How do people come to realize the need to repent? Woe to a preacher that fails to call for repentance. What is true of a person who is unrepentant? Where does a person go who may go to church but who will not repent? The best news you will ever hear is the Gospel. Jesus came to earth to die for you. May God convict our hearts and heal our sinful hearts as He rescues us from our sin.

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