

## HOW GOD WORKS IN YOU THE GIFT OF REPENTANCE

22.6-11

Dr. Mike Fabarez • Focal Point Radio Ministries • January 20 & 21, 2024 • Acts, week 110 • Msg. 24-02 Acts 22:6 As I was on my way and drew near to Damascus, about noon a great light from heaven suddenly shone around me. 1. Discern \_\_\_\_\_ (vv.6-8)7 And I fell to the ground and heard a voice saying to me, 'Saul, Saul, why are you persecuting me?' 8 And I answered, 'Who are you, Lord?' And he said to me, 'I am Jesus of Nazareth, whom you are persecuting." 9 Now those who were with me saw the light but did not understand the voice of the one who was speaking to me. 10 And I said, 2. Be \_\_\_\_\_ (vv.9-10a) 'What shall I do, Lord?' And the Lord said to me, 'Rise, and go into Damascus, and there you will be told all that is appointed for you to do.' 11 And since I could not see because of the brightness of that light, I was led by the hand by those who were with me, and came into Damascus. (ESV) 3. Cling \_\_\_\_\_ (vv.10b-11)

## **Application Questions**

These questions are provided for your further study and application of today's sermon. Thoughtfully writing out the answers to these questions will help to drive home the point of today's study. It is also helpful when you are able to discuss your answers with others.

- 1. Read **Jonah 1:1-3**, **17**, **2:10**, **3:1-3** and **Psalm 139:7-12**. What is your reaction when thinking of God's absolute ability to box you in and drive you to repentance, no matter how hard you work to run?
- 2. Read **2 Corinthians 7:9-11**. Describe the ways that God worked through circumstances to bring you to your initial repentance and faith in Christ.
- 3. Read **Romans 2:14-16** and **2:4**. How has God, working in your heart internally without external chastisement, brought you to repentance when you were walking down the wrong path?
- 4. Read **Hebrews 12:6-13**. What are some of the ways God has utilized painful means to make clear to you that the path you were on was not pleasing to him?
- 5. Read **Psalm 16**. How do passages like this remind you of the value and great worth of being diligent to turn from sin when God brings conviction, regardless of the means he uses to get you there?

The following related sermons are also available for downloading or streaming on the Focal Point Website and App (FPR.org).

Msg. 08-32 – *Making Sure You're Repentant* 

Msg. 06-14 – A Crash Course in Repentance & Faith

Msg. 13-02 - Why "As You Are" Can't Stay That Way

Msg. 12-18 – Guilt & Forgiveness

Msg. 12-27 - Responding to the King of Kings

Msg. 19-19 – *White as Snow* 

Msg. 06-52 - Avoiding the Biggest Misunderstanding

## Daily Bible Reading Schedule

Jan. 21st	Gen.49-50 & Mt.15:1-20
Jan. 22 <sup>nd</sup>	Ex.1-3 & Mt.15:21-39
Jan. 23 <sup>rd</sup>	Ex.4-6 & Mt.16
Jan. 24 <sup>th</sup>	Ex.7-8 & Mt.17
Jan. 25 <sup>th</sup>	Ex.9-10 & Mt.18:1-20
Jan. 26 <sup>th</sup>	Ex.11-12 & Mt.18:21-35
Jan. 27 <sup>th</sup>	Ex.13-15 & Mt.19:1-15
Jan. 28 <sup>th</sup>	Ex.16-18 & Mt.19:16-30

Here are some books which may assist you in a deeper study of the truths presented in today's sermon. While Pastor Mike cannot endorse every concept presented in each book, he does believe these resources will be helpful in profitably thinking through today's topic.

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Pink, A. W. Repentance. Triangle Press, 1996.

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