

Ignite Week #6 Lesson

Scripture: Luke 7: 36-50

Chapter Six: *The Role of Repentance and Redemption in Prayer*

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Group Questions:

- What are the areas of your life (sins) you believe God is not pleased with?

- How have you tried to address these issues?

- The truth is that all sin is wrong in God's eyes.
- The next truth is that we are all sinners and will never be perfect.
- Although we will never been sinless through the perfecting power of God we will sin less.
- This scripture shows us that our God is a forgiving God. He also expects us to not just forgive but also to love.
- Due to her gratitude for being forgiven by Jesus the women in this text felt lead to anoint him with expensive oil. Rather, then feeling like a religious requirement, our prayer life out to be rooted in the same kind of relational gratitude.
- What impact has prayer had in helping you to recuperate from crisis, allowing you to see God's sanctifying grace at work?

- Scripture: Matthew 26: 69-75 & Matthew 27:5

Group Questions:

- It is certain that we have all been betrayed. Is it possible that we have also betrayed someone else?

- We betray Jesus every time we go against His will for our lives.
- Simon, as well as Judas, betrayed Jesus. Simon did so out of fear, and Judas out of greed.
- However, their differences did not end with what motivated them toward betrayal, but also in the fact that one saw life after the fall and the other did not.
- We serve a God who does not want us to fall but has set His grace up to catch us after the fall. We must be willing to be caught by Him.
- No matter how far or how often we betray our relationship with Christ, we are assured by the demonstration of His love for us at Calvary that there is always life after the fall.
- Through prayer and repentance we are guaranteed redemption in Jesus Christ from our sins.
- What is keeping you from being in close relationship with God?

- Scripture: Luke 15:11-24

Group Questions:

- When was the last time you thought God was upset with you?

- In this Scripture we know that the Prodigal son has made a big mistake. The son also knows that the mistake was made and that he needs to make a change.
- Before he makes the change though, the son, like many of us, tries to fix it himself, which results in him being in an even worse place than before.
- The trick of the enemy is to make you believe that you can get yourself out of your issue when the real result is you're digging yourself in deeper.
- Once the son turns from his current situation and heads back to his father (repentance) his life begins to change for the better.
- The same is true of us that when we repent to our Father in prayer, life will begin to change for the better.
- When we are too headstrong, we make ourselves unavailable to God's power because God resists the proud, but He gives grace to the humble (James 4:6).
- What things, habits or behaviors do you need to release and fall to your knees about in order to be welcomed back into God's forgiving arms?

Suggested Group Activities For This Week:

- Continue to use the social media #Hashtag created last week to engage your church and people from the community with quotes and pictures.
- Work with the other small groups to create a Prayer Service or time for all of the groups to join together in prayer for the church, the community, the nation, and the world.
- As a group, create a list of the answered prayers from the first week until now and even beyond the group time, in order to share the results with the larger church body.



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