

Studying the Psalms

Psalms Of Repentance

Psalms 6

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Psalms 6 – Psalms of Repentance

- Psalms 6 is the first psalm of this kind; there will be many others (including a whole group of four consecutive psalms appealing for forgiveness of sin: Psalms 38-41).
- In this psalm we find David in distress. It is believed to have been written the same time as the ones previous to this, which was when David in his later life was forced to flee Jerusalem because of the rebellion of his son, Absalom (2 Samuel 15-17).
- Remember that after David sinned with Bathsheba, among the punishments he would endure included – adversity from within his own house and his wives would be taken and defiled – 2 Samuel 12:11-12. Absalom did both of these (2 Samuel 16:21-22). While in the wilderness as word of these things come to David, I can only imagine his anguish – a rebellious son who has rejected him AND God. David, with humility cries to God – Read Psalms 6.

God Commands

Repentance

Acts 17:30-31, *"All men everywhere ..."*

Romans 3:23, *"for all have sinned ..."*

Romans 4:15, *"... where there is no law, neither is there transgression."*

Therefore, **all** are under law!

Repentance Commanded

- By John. Matthew 3:2
- By Jesus. Matthew 4:17; Luke 13:3, 5
- Great Commission. Luke 24:47
- By Disciples. Mark 6:12
- By Apostles. Acts 2:38; 11:18

REPENTANCE Is Not ...

- Fear
- Confession
- Being sorry
- Simply a reformation of life
- Being aware of sin
- Prayer
- Coming forward
- Doing penance
- Remorse or regret
- "If I have ..."