



# Repentance - 05.03.26

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### Jonah 3:6-10(NIV)

When Jonah's warning reached the king of Nineveh, he rose from his throne, took off his royal robes, covered himself with sackcloth and sat down in the dust. 7 This is the proclamation he issued in Nineveh:

“By the decree of the king and his nobles:

Do not let people or animals, herds or flocks, taste anything; do not let them eat or drink. 8 But let people and animals be covered with sackcloth. Let everyone call urgently on God. Let them give up their evil ways and their violence. 9 Who knows? God may yet relent and with compassion turn from his fierce anger so that we will not perish.”

10 When God saw what they did and how they turned from their evil ways, he relented and did not bring on them the destruction he had threatened.

### 1. Top to bottom ALL need to repent

#### Jonah 3:6(NIV)

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## 2. Repentance has ACTION

### Jonah 3:7-8

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## 3. Repentance is painful

...“The very first tear he made was so deep that I thought it had gone right into my heart.”

- C.S. Lewis, *The Voyage of the Dawn Treader*

## 4. Repentance is rooted in hope

### Jonah 3:9

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## 5. Repentance will always be met with mercy

### Jonah 3:10(NIV)

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### Romans 10:10-13(NIV)

For it is with your heart that you believe and are justified, and it is with your mouth that you profess your faith and are saved. 11 As Scripture says, “Anyone who believes in him will never be put to shame.” 12 For there is no difference between Jew and Gentile—the same Lord is Lord of all and richly blesses all who call on him, 13 for, “Everyone who calls on the name of the Lord will be saved.”