



"AFTER REPENTANCE"

11/11/18

WHEN YOU'RE AFTER GOD, YOU ADMIT YOUR SIN AND HUMBLE YOURSELF

The Repeats (required)

Yes, they are the same, but WE change, so please discuss these with your group

- [Share the announcements (on FB thread) with your group]
- God is ALWAYS working! Sometimes we just need to keep our "antennae up", to be looking for it. Go around your group and share your God Moments of how you have seen God working, either in your life or in the life of another.
- Is there anything that you want to share that has stood out to you so far from the current Point series?

The Review (optional)

Use this section only if you want to review for those who were not in the Point

- •Have someone explain the Point in their own words.*
- What object lesson or illustration was used to communicate the Point this week? How did this apply to the Point?*
- Have someone read or summarize the main Bible passage/story from the Point (see "The References" section).
- How did this Bible passage teach the Point?*

*someone who was in the Point may need to explain this

The Reenergizer (optional) Use this question if you need to get your group talking

• Share a time in your life, whether as an adult or a child, where you learned something helpful because of a straight-up failure.

The Reflection (required)

<u>Discuss</u> these to go deeper, and more personal, into applying the Point

- Review & summarize David's "How to Sin In 5 Easy Steps":
 - 1.Be Where You Shouldn't Be (2 Samuel 11:1)
 - 2. Ignore the Warnings (2 Samuel 11:2-5)
 - 3. Try to Justify It (2 Samuel 11:6-13)
 - 4. *Up Your Sin Game* (2 Samuel 11:14-26)
 - 5. Then Everything Will Be Fine! (2 Samuel 11:27a)

...Or Will It? (2 Samuel 11:27b)

- At this point in the story, most people would feel that they've messed up too much to go back to God, and either get angry at God or drift away. But God <u>welcomes</u> us back when we admit our sin and humble ourselves. Read the following verses about Jesus, and <u>discuss</u> how each <u>ties in</u> to David's "How to Repent In 6 Harder Steps" <u>for us today</u>:
 - 1. See It As Sin (2 Sam. 12:1-12) Read 1 John 1:8
 - 2. Admit Your Sin (2 Sam. 12:13a; Psalm 51) Read 1 John 1:9
 - 3. Accept God's Forgiveness (2 Sam. 12:13b) Read Hebrews 10:22
 - 4. Face the Consequences (2 Sam. 12:14-19) Read Romans 7:21-25
 - 5. Trust God Through Them (2 Sam. 12:20-23) Read Hebrews 2:18
 - 6. Experience God's Grace (2 Sam. 12:24-25) Read Luke 15:11-24
- In general, which of these 6 steps is hardest for you to do? Why?
- Are you in a spot right now where you need to admit your sin and humble yourself? If you feel comfortable, share it with the group, or simply say, "yes". [Ask someone to pray for each person who shares]

The References

Main Passage: 2 Sam. 11-12; Psa. 51 (NLT)*selected verses, read full passage in Bible

...Purify me from my sins, and I will be clean; wash me, and I will be whiter than snow. Oh, give me back my joy again; you have broken me—now let me rejoice...

1 John 1:8 (NLT)

If we claim we have no sin, we are only fooling ourselves and not living in the truth.

1 John 1:9 (NLT)

But <u>if we confess our sins to him</u>, he is faithful and just to <u>forgive us our sins</u> and to cleanse us from all wickedness.

Hebrews 10:22 (NLT)

let us go right into the presence of God with sincere hearts fully trusting him. For our guilty consciences have been sprinkled with Christ's blood to make us clean, and our bodies have been washed with pure water.

Romans 7:21-25 (NLT)*selected verses, read full passage in Bible

...what a miserable person I am! Who will free me from this life that is dominated by sin and death? Thank God! The answer is in Jesus Christ...

Hebrews 2:18 (NIV)

Because he himself suffered when he was tempted, he is able to help those who are being tempted.

<u>Luke 15:11-24 (NLT)</u>*selected verses, read full passage in Bible

... We must celebrate with a feast, for this son of mine was dead and has now returned to life. He was lost, but now he is found.' So the party began.