

Lesson 3 How To Give Your Heart To Christ



1. How are we saved? Ephesians 2:8, 9

“Who can say, I have made my heart clean?” “Not by might, nor by power, but by my Spirit, saith the Lord of hosts.” “That your faith should not stand in the wisdom of men, but in the power of God.” Proverbs 20:9; Zechariah 4:6; 1 Corinthians 2:5

2. Yet what important element is combined with faith?

James 2:14-26

“Even a child is known by his doings, whether his work be pure, and whether it be right.” Proverbs 20:11. “I am the vine, ye [are] the branches: He that abideth in me, and I in him, the same bringeth forth much fruit: for without me ye can do nothing.” John 15:5

3. Jesus came to call whom to what? Mark 2:17

“Him hath God exalted with his right hand to be a Prince and a Saviour, for to give repentance to Israel, and forgiveness of sins.” Acts 5:31

4. What is true repentance? Isaiah 55:7

There are many who fail to understand the true nature of repentance. Multitudes sorrow that they have sinned and even make an outward reformation because they fear that their wrongdoing will bring suffering upon themselves. But this is not repentance in the Bible sense. They lament the suffering rather than the sin. Repentance includes **sorrow for sin and a turning away from it**. We shall not renounce sin unless we see its sinfulness; until we turn away from it in heart, there will be no real change in the life.

5. How do I become sorry for my sins? Zechariah 12:10

The more we **study** the divine character in the light of **the cross**, the more we see mercy, tenderness, and forgiveness blended with equity and justice. The sinner may resist this love, may refuse to be drawn to Christ; but if he does not resist he will be drawn to Jesus; a knowledge of the plan of salvation will lead him to the foot of the cross in repentance for his sins, which have caused the sufferings of God's dear Son. The thought has a subduing power upon the soul and brings the mind into captivity to the will of God. *“How then can I do this great wickedness, and sin against God?” Genesis 39:9*

6. When we confess our sins to Him, what two things will He do for us? 1 John 1:9

“As far as the east is from the west, [so] far hath he removed our transgressions from us.” Psalms 103:12

7. Must we do anything with our sins besides confessing them? Proverbs 28:13

8. What if I regard iniquity in my heart? Psalm 66:18

9. When will God hear our prayer? Jeremiah 29:13

10. Jesus wants people who want to be made what? John 5:6

“No man can serve two masters: for either he will hate the one, and love the other; or else he will hold to the one, and despise the other. Ye cannot serve God and mammon.” Matthew 6:24

11. What should we be asking God to do for us? Psalm 51:2

“Search me, O God, and know my heart: try me, and know my thoughts: and see if there be any wicked way in me, and lead me in the way everlasting.” Psalm 139:23, 24

12. God will do this for us upon what two conditions? Isaiah 1:19

13. How often must I come to Christ in this way? 1 Corinthians 15:31

“I am crucified with Christ: nevertheless I live; yet not I, but Christ liveth in me: and the life which I now live in the flesh I live by the faith of the Son of God, who loved me, and gave himself for me.” Galatians 2:20

14. When we come in that way, will He reject us? John 6:37

In the Light of God's Word...

*I understand that God requires an entire commitment of myself to Him.
I understand that choosing Jesus means turning away from every known sin and asking Him to cleanse my heart from all defilement.*

