



# GRACE CHURCH

## Message Notes

God's people have always had a song

Psalm 120:1 (The Message) – I'm in trouble. I cry to God, desperate for an answer:

2 "Deliver me from the liars, God! They smile so sweetly but lie through their teeth."

3 Do you know what's next, can you see what's coming, all you barefaced liars?

4 Pointed arrows and burning coals will be your reward.

"I'm in trouble" is the opening phrase and the last word of the chapter is "war."

A person has to get fed up with the ways of the world before he/she acquires an appetite for the world of grace.

Before a man can do things  
there must be things he will not do.

- Mencius

You have to call the lie for what it is so that then you can embrace the truth....

The truth about me is that God made me and loves me.

In Christianity, the way you say "No" to the world's way and "Yes" to God's way is surmised with one biblical word - REPENTANCE.

Luke 14:11 (NLT) – For those who exalt themselves will be humbled, and those who humble themselves will be exalted."

1. A Repentant Person Is Appalled by Sin

Proverbs 26:11 (NLT) – As a dog returns to its vomit, so a fool repeats his foolishness.

2. A Repentant Person Makes Amends

### 3. A Repentant Person Changes Their Behavior

Acts 3:19 (NLT) — Now repent of your sins and turn to God, so that your sins may be wiped away.

20 Then times of refreshment will come from the presence of the Lord, and he will again send you Jesus, your appointed Messiah.

Zeph 3:17 (TLV) — Adonai your God in your midst - a mighty Savior! He will delight over you with joy. He will quiet you with His love. He will dance for joy over you with singing.

### Discussion Questions

1. What are some of the lies that you have dealt with about yourself in the past?
2. Pastor Scott mentioned embracing the truth and calling out lies for what they are. What are some truths that God has spoken over you?
3. Pastor Scott reminded us that repentance is not an emotion or simply just feeling sorry for your sins. It is a decision. What does repentance look like in your life?
4. Repentance is realizing that what God wants from you and what you want from God are not going to be achieved by doing the same old things and thinking the same old thoughts. What are some practical things you need to change in order to see what you want to, from God?
5. Repentance isn't primarily about *what* you're fleeing from but *whom* you're fleeing to. What are some changes you would like to see in yourself?