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### Scripture

Mark 4:13-20

- Parable of the different types of ground. We have to know where we are and where we need to be (good ground) - parable of repentance and conversion.
- **The footpath** is the hardened heart due to ungodly influences. None of God's words can penetrate so it's immediately taken away by Satan. The **rocky ground** is that broken up footpath so it's difficult for God's word to penetrate and take root. Troubles come and easily blow it away because it couldn't take root. The **thorny ground** has the lure of the world choking out the word making it impossible to bear fruit. Finally, the **good ground** is where we've received the word, repented and have been converted. In this ground, we are able to bear fruit. Some will bear 30, 60, or 100 times what was sown. No matter if you produce 30, 60 or 100, the goal is to produce good fruit.
- Once we've been saved, we've repented. However, there's other areas in our life that we can focus on turning from our way and doing it the Lord's way.

Acts 3:19-20

- Repent from your sins (the things we did before) and turn to God (seeing what we should do now).
- When we spend time in the presence of the Lord, we should feel refreshed; different from how we came to him.

2 Corinthians 7:8-11

- There may be pain in hearing the truth about where we are living in sin, but this is a godly sorrow when it leads us to repentance. This is the sorrow God wants. Pleasing God and walking according to his will is your new focus.
- Worldly sorrow leads to spiritual death because it doesn't lead to repentance.
- Godly sorrow causes us to go through the spiritual landscaping (parable of the different types of ground) leading to repentance and conversion, turning away from sin and to God.

2 Chronicles 7:14-15

- We are called by His name, we are his people. This is where we are starting.
- The next step is to humble ourselves. Come to him with humility, knowing that He is the only way. His ways and his thoughts are greater than ours.

- We pray and seek him, turning away from sin (repentance) and He will hear us, forgive us of our sins and restore us.

Isaiah 55:6-7

- Seek the Lord while we can find him, do not wait.
- Get the worldly/fleshly ways out, turning to the Lord while we still have time; while we are still able to seek him because He will graciously forgive us.