

Grace Guide



JUNE 9-15

MONDAY
6/9

2 CHRONICLES 11:7-22

Solomon built and dedicated God's temple in Jerusalem. God speaks to Solomon (presumably in a dream) with powerful instruction on living a God honoring life – and what the consequences of doing so, or failing to do so, would be. For many of us, the focus of this is the promise in verse 14, that God would “heal the land.” This verse is a clear call from God to his people: repentance is not just about feeling sorry but about humbling ourselves, turning away from sin, and actively seeking God's presence. It is both personal and communal: a promise that when God's people respond with sincere hearts, God responds with forgiveness and restoration. While originally directed to ancient Israel, this verse speaks into our lives today, calling us to live repentantly (is that a word?), to intercede for our communities, and to trust that God is still in the business of healing hearts and lands when we return to him.

1. What does it mean for you to “seek God's face”?
2. How does turning from personal sin contribute to the healing of your relationships or community, even the nation?

TUESDAY
6/10

ROMANS 2:1-4

The Apostle Paul reminds us that God's kindness isn't a license to keep sinning – it's an invitation to transformation. Repentance is not something we do out of fear alone; it's a response to God's deep patience and mercy. When we truly grasp how gently God deals with us, it should soften our hearts and stir in us the desire to turn from sin and live in a way that honors him. God's patience is purposeful, giving us time and space to return to him. The question is: are we listening?

1. How have you experienced the difference between kindness and fear of punishment as a motivation to change your behavior?
2. How does remembering God's kindness and mercy affect your attitudes toward someone else's faults?

WEDNESDAY
6/11

LUKE 15:1-9

Jesus tells these parables to reveal the heart of God: that God relentlessly seeks out those who have gone astray and those who are lost and rejoices when they return. Repentance is not met with shame but with celebration. These stories remind us that no one is too lost for God to find, and that repentance is not about earning our way back but allowing ourselves to be found by the One who loves us, challenging us to consider how we treat others who are lost and whether we share in God's joy when they return.

1. When have you felt like a lost sheep or a lost coin in your relationship with God? What brought you back?
2. Why is it sometimes hard for us to rejoice like the angels in heaven when a sinner, particularly one who has sinned against us, repents?

THURSDAY

6/12

1 JOHN 1:5-10

Confession is not about informing God of something he doesn't know; it's about opening our hearts in honesty and humility. John reminds us that confession isn't met with punishment but with forgiveness and cleansing, though there are always consequences to sin. God is faithful in keeping his promise to restore us. We are assured that when we admit our failures, we are met not with condemnation but with mercy. True repentance is not about guilt but about trusting God's grace enough to bring everything into the light.

1. Are you ever hesitant about being honest to God about your sin? What makes us want to hold back?
2. John says that God will "cleanse us of all unrighteousness." How does that truth impact your daily life? Do you believe it and live it?

FRIDAY

6/13

PSALM 32

David paints a vivid contrast between the burden of unconfessed sin and the freedom of forgiveness. Keeping sin hidden eats away at the soul, but when we bring it into the light, we experience deep relief. God doesn't just forgive the act – he lifts the burden of guilt. Repentance restores joy. The pathway to peace isn't perfection, but openness with the God who already knows, and already loves you, God who invites you to live unburdened.

1. What does it mean to you to live "blessed" because your sins are forgiven?
2. David describes a kind of inner "heaviness" because of his, yet he is unburdened from that weight in receiving God's mercy. How have you unburdened yourself from the weight of sin? Is there any burden you are still carrying?

SATURDAY/
SUNDAY
6/14-15

ACTS 2:14-41

Peter's message at Pentecost is bold and urgent: turn your life around, be baptized, receive forgiveness, and walk in the Spirit. The crowd, convicted by the truth of who Jesus is, asks, "What shall we do?" This is a question that still echoes today. The gospel doesn't just inform; it transforms. Repentance isn't a one-time event, it's the daily posture of choosing Jesus over the ways of a broken world. God's invitation is wide open to all who will respond with willing hearts.

1. Paul as much as accuses the people of Jerusalem of being complicit in Jesus' death. How is that true for them – and for all of us?
2. What does it mean to "save yourself from this corrupt generation" (verse 40)?

Verse for the week:

"Repent and be baptized, every one of you, in the name of Jesus Christ for the forgiveness of your sins. And you will receive the gift of the Holy Spirit. The promise is for you and your children and for all who are far off—for all whom the Lord our God will call."

(Acts 2:38b-39)

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