

## STUDY GUIDE - STEPS TO CHRIST, CHAPTER 3

# -Repentance — Part 1-

Memory Verses: Acts 3:19; Acts 5:31; Psalms 51:10-12



"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."

- Steps to Christ, Page 23
  - 1. How shall a man be just with God? How shall the sinner be made righteous?
  - 2. Repentance includes what?
  - **3.** We shall not renounce sin unless?
  - **4.** There will be no real change in the life until?
  - 5. When the heart yields to the influence of the Spirit of God, what happens?
  - **6.** God's Holy Law is the foundation of what?
  - 7. Must the sinner wait till he has repented before he can come to Jesus?
  - **8.** What leads to <u>genuine</u> repentance?
  - **9.** Christ is the only one that can implant what in the heart?
  - 10. What is an evidence that His Spirit is moving upon our hearts?
  - **11.** What leads <u>us</u> to repentance?
  - **12.** In dying for sinners, Christ manifested a love that is incomprehensible; and as the sinner beholds this love, it does what?



- **13.** The wickedness of their life is revealed when?
- **14.** What will lead the sinner to the foot of the cross in repentance for his sins?
- **15.** What things alone can give peace and rest?

"Closely examine your own heart as in the light of eternity. Hide nothing from your examination. Search, oh! search, as for your life, and condemn yourself, pass judgment upon yourself, and then by faith claim the cleansing blood of Christ to remove the stains from your Christian character. Do not flatter or excuse yourself. Deal truly with your own soul. And then as you view yourself a sinner, fall, all broken, at the foot of the cross. Jesus will receive you..."

– Maranatha, Chapter 49



## ANSWER SHEET – STEPS TO CHRIST, CHAPTER 3

- 1. Only through Christ
- 2. A. Sorrow for sin B. Turning away from sin
- 3. We see it's sinfulness
- 4. We turn away from sin in heart
- 5. **A.** The conscience will be quickened **B.** The sinner will discern something of the depth and sacredness of God's Holy Law.
- 6. His Government in Heaven and on Earth
- 7. The Bible does not teach that the sinner must repent before he can heed the invitation of Christ.
- 8. The virtue that goes forth from Christ
- 9. Enmity against sin
- 10. A. Desire for truth and purity B. Conviction of our sinfulness
- 11. The Goodness of God.
- 12. **A.** Softens the heart **B.** Impresses the mind **C.** Inspires contrition in the soul
- 13. Christ draws them to look upon His cross, to behold Him which their sins have pierced.
- 14. A Knowledge of the plan of Salvation.
- 15. A. The Grace of Christ B. The joy of Holiness

## **VERSE INDEX – STEPS TO CHRIST, CHAPTER 3**

# **OLD TESTAMENT**

**Psalms** 32:1-2; 51:1, 3, 7, **10-12**, 14

# **NEW TESTAMENT**

Matthew 11:28; 27:4

John 1:9; 12:32

Acts 2:37-38; 3:19; 5:31

Revelation 22:17





## WHAT DOES IT MEAN? - STEPS TO CHRIST, CHAPTER 3

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### Conscience

Internal or self-knowledge, or judgment of right and wrong; or the faculty, power or principle within us, which decides on the lawfulness or unlawfulness of our own actions and affections, and instantly approves or condemns them.

### **Contrition**

Penitence; deep sorrow for sin; grief of heart for having offended and infinitely holy and benevolent God. The word is usually understood to mean genuine penitence, accompanied with a deep sense of ingratitude in the sinner, and sincere resolution to live in obedience to the divine law.

#### Lament

To mourn; to grieve; to weep or wail; to express sorrow.

To regret deeply; to feel sorrow.

### Quickened

Made alive; revived; vivified; reinvigorated.

#### Virtue

Moral goodness; the practice of moral duties and the abstaining from vice, or a conformity of life and conversation to the moral law.

Acting power



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