

Alderwood Community Church
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Repentance: Preparing to Follow the Servant King
Unexpected: The Gospel of the Servant King
Mark 1:1-8

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Big Idea: Repentance is necessary for following Jesus Christ.

1. The _____ of Jesus (Mark 1:1-8, 11, 27; 5:6-7; 9:7; 15:39)

*“For even the Son of Man did not come to be served, but to serve, and to give his life as a ransom for many.” **Mark 10:45***

2. The _____ of John the Baptist (Mark 1:1-8; Matthew 11:1-19)

3. The _____ of Repentance

A. Definition of Repentance:

B. We need to repent/change the way we think about our _____.
(**Psalm 32, 51, 103; Luke 15; 1 John 1:5-2:2**)

“The Lord is compassionate and gracious, slow to anger, abounding in love. He will not always accuse, nor will he harbor his anger forever; he does not treat us as our sins deserve or repay us according to our iniquities. For as high as the heavens are above the earth, so great is his love for those who fear him; as far as the east is from the west, so far has he removed our transgressions from us.”

Psalm 103:8-12

C. We need to repent/change the way we think about _____.
(**Philippians 2:9-11**)

4. What do you make of v.5? How do you explain the enormous response to John's preaching, especially at a time when there was no electronic social media?

5. Pastor Brad talked about the importance of "repentance". Define "repentance" in your own words. What role does repentance play in your relationship to God?

6. God used John the Baptist to prepare people to hear the good news of Jesus. Do we have a responsibility to emulate John today? If so, what does that look like in practical terms?

For next week:

Read **Mark 1:9-13** several times.

What do these experiences tell you about Jesus?

Why are these two events in Jesus' life important?