Alderwood Community Church November 18, 2018

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." <u>Mark 10:45</u>
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 Lo	ord is compassionate and gracious, slow to anger, abounding in love. He
will not as our heaven as the	always accuse, nor will he harbor his anger forever; he does not treat us sins deserve or repay us according to our iniquities. For as high as the is are above the earth, so great is his love for those who fear him; as far east is from the west, so far has he removed our transgressions from us." 103:8-12
C.	We need to repent/change the way we think about (Philippians 2:9-11)

Sermon Questions:

1.	Look back at your notes from the sermon. What is one thing that was new to you or challenged you?
2.	Read Mark 1:1-8 . What facts do you see in these verses about John the Baptist, i.e. – his role in God's plan, his ministry, his character, etc.?
3.	If you were trying to prepare the nation of Israel to receive the Son of God, would you have chosen to use John the Baptist? Why or why not? What person and plan would you have used?

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?	
	next week: ad Mark 1:9-13 several times.	
Wh	at do these experiences tell you about Jesus?	
Why are these two events in Jesus' life important?		