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Yet wisdom is justified by her deeds.”



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## **BIG IDEA**

Rejecting Jesus is damning.  
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## Matthew 11:20

Then he began to denounce the cities where most of his mighty works had been done, because they did not repent.



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(see Eze 28:12-18)

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What is repentance?

A photograph of a single rose in a field of tall grass. The rose is in the lower right corner, and the grass is a mix of green and brown, suggesting a natural, somewhat wild setting. The lighting is soft, and the overall tone is somewhat somber or contemplative.

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Psalm 32:5 I **acknowledged** my sin to you,  
and I did not cover my iniquity; I said,  
“I will confess my transgressions to the LORD”



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“metanoēō”- change of mind



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2Co 7:10–11 For godly **grief** produces a repentance that leads to salvation ...what earnestness this godly **grief** has produced



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Luke 3:8 Bear fruits in keeping with repentance.



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Luke 3:9 Every tree therefore that does not bear good fruit is cut down and thrown into the fire.



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Luke 3:11 Whoever has two tunics is to share with him who has none, and whoever has food is to do likewise.



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Luke 3:13 And he said to them, "Collect no more than you are authorized to do."



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Luke 3:14 “Do not extort money from anyone by threats or by false accusation, and be content with your wages.”



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2Co 7:11 For see what earnestness this godly grief has produced in you, but also what eagerness to **clear yourselves...**



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Act 26:20 “they should repent and **turn to God**, performing deeds in keeping with their repentance.



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Mark 1:15 "The time is fulfilled, and the kingdom of God is at hand; repent and **believe in the gospel.**"



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Could my tears forever flow,  
These for sin could not atone,  
Thou must save & Thou alone

ROCK OF AGES



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Repentance presupposes that our lives are off course and we need to turn them around. But it also points us in the direction of the Savior, who alone is able to make atonement for our sins.

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“Let us settle in our minds that it will never do to be content with merely hearing and liking the gospel. We must go further than that. We must actually repent and be converted.”

JC Ryle



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