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<u>Crucified Living: Repentance That Brings Change</u>

<u>Luke 7:47</u> - "I tell you, her sins—and they are many—have been forgiven, so she has shown me much love. But a person who is forgiven little shows only little love."

1 John 3:4 - Everyone who sins is breaking God's law, for all sin is contrary to the law of God.

Everyone In History Has Violated The Will Of God At Least Once In Their Lives

God's Law Must Be The Motivator Within Us If Sin Is To Be Conquered

Whatever Wrong Is Done To Others, Sin Is Directed At God

<u>Isaiah 59:2</u> - It's your sins that have cut you off from God. Because of your sins, he has turned away and will not listen anymore.

- 1) Sin Has Consequences.
- 2) God Must Punish Sin.
- 3) Our Consciences Can Discern Sin.
- 4) We Should Humbly Confess Our Sins To God.

<u>Psalm 103:9,13-14</u> - He will not constantly accuse us, nor remain angry forever... The LORD is like a father to his children, tender and compassionate to those who fear him. ¹⁴ For he knows how weak we are; he remembers we are only dust.

<u>Isaiah 1:18</u> - "Come now, let's settle this," says the LORD. "Though your sins are like scarlet, I will make them as white as snow. Though they are red like crimson, I will make them as white as wool.

<u>Luke 19:1-10</u> - Jesus entered Jericho and made his way through the town. ² There was a man there named Zacchaeus. He was the chief tax collector in the region, and he had become very rich. ³ He tried to get a look at Jesus, but he was too short to see over the crowd. ⁴ So he ran ahead and climbed a sycamore-fig tree beside

the road, for Jesus was going to pass that way. ⁵ When Jesus came by, he looked up at Zacchaeus and called him by name. "Zacchaeus!" he said. "Quick, come down! I must be a guest in your home today." ⁶ Zacchaeus quickly climbed down and took Jesus to his house in great excitement and joy. ⁷ But the people were displeased. "He has gone to be the guest of a notorious sinner," they grumbled. ⁸ Meanwhile, Zacchaeus stood before the Lord and said, "I will give half my wealth to the poor, Lord, and if I have cheated people on their taxes, I will give them back four times as much!" ⁹ Jesus responded, "Salvation has come to this home today, for this man has shown himself to be a true son of Abraham. ¹⁰ For the Son of Mana came to seek and save those who are lost."

Zacchaeus Was Transformed

Jesus Accomplished The Impossible

<u>Luke 5:32</u> - I have come to call not those who think they are righteous, but those who know they are sinners and need to repent.

<u>V.8</u> - Zacchaeus stood before the Lord and said, "I will give half my wealth to the poor, Lord, and if I have cheated people on their taxes, I will give them back four times as much!"

Zacchaeus Took The Initiative To Follow Jesus Wherever Obedience Would Take Him

Our Faith Demands A Changed Behavior