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CONVERSION

Important Definition

Conversion: Our response to the gospel in which we _____ of sins and place our _____ in Jesus for salvation.

Conversion in the Bible:

- **Mark 1.15:** _____ and _____ in the gospel.
- **John 8.1:** Jesus [said] “I am the light of the world. Whoever follows me will not walk _____, but will have the _____ of life.”
- **Isaiah 55.6-7:** “_____ the Lord while he may be found; _____ upon him while he is near; let the wicked _____ his way”
- **Acts 20.21:** [Paul declared] _____ toward God and _____ in our Lord Jesus Christ.

About Faith: I _____ as a living person for forgiveness of sins and for eternal life with God. Faith involves:

- **The Mind:** I _____ the facts of the gospel.
- **The Heart:** I _____ that the gospel is true, and I desire to be saved by Jesus.
- **The Will:** I _____ in Jesus to save me personally.

About Repentance: I feel genuine sorrow for my sin, renouncing it, and I make a sincere commitment to _____ my sin and _____ in obedience to the Lord’s commands. Repentance involves:

- **The Mind:** I _____ that sin is wrong.
- **The Heart:** I _____ about my sin like God does; I hate it.
- **The Will:** I _____ from my sin, seek forgiveness from God, and follow Christ.

About Faith and Repentance:

- They both happen _____.
- They both _____ after your conversion.
- They _____ as you grow.
- Your conversion is _____ . . . but prayer can be a _____ of your conversion.

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STUDY QUESTIONS

These questions are meant to be done by yourself or together with a family member or friend, then discussed at your small group during the week.

1. Read Luke 15:11-24. Identify phrases in the passage that seem to involve repentance and others that involve faith.
2. Review the Bible verses about conversion on your handout. What do they seem to suggest about faith and repentance?
3. When you consider all that is involved in faith, how it involves your mind, your heart, and your will . . . What aspect of faith is currently a challenge for you?

The same question, but this time . . . What aspect of repentance is currently a challenge for you?
4. If it's true that both repentance and faith increase as you grow spiritually mature, list some ways you can nurture that growth.

As a group, spend time in prayer asking Jesus to bless this series of studies and bring you to a deeper understanding and appreciation for your salvation in Jesus.