

# Saving Repentance

by Thomas Brooks

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*Saving repentance involves a genuine sorrow for sin and a desire to change, as seen in the examples of various biblical characters.*

**Scripture:** Leviticus 16:29, 2 Chronicles 7:14, Psalm 51:17, Isaiah 66:2, Lamentations 3:20, Zechariah 12:10, Mark 14:72, 2 Corinthians 7:10

**Topics:** "Godly Sorrow", "Repentance"

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## Description

Thomas Brooks emphasizes that saving repentance is characterized by a deep contrition and grief of heart for sins committed, often referred to as godly sorrow. He illustrates this through biblical examples of mourning sinners, such as David, Hezekiah, Ephraim, Mary Magdalene, and the Corinthians, who all demonstrated heartfelt repentance. This sorrow leads to a humbling of the heart and a sincere desire to turn away from sin, reflecting the transformative power of true repentance.

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## Transcript

Saving repentance includes contrition or grief of heart

for sins committed. Now this is sometimes called--

godly sorrow, 2 Cor. 7:10;

a contrite spirit, Isaiah 66:2;

a broken and contrite heart, Psalm 51:17;

the afflicting of our souls, Lev. 16:29;

the humbling of the heart, 2 Chron. 7:14, Lam. 3:20;

a mourning, Zech. 12:10;

a weeping, Mark 14:72.

All repenting sinners are mourning sinners.

David repents--and waters his couch with his tears.

Hezekiah repents--and humbles himself for the pride of his heart.

Ephraim repents--and Ephraim bemoans himself.

Mary Magdalene repents--and weeps, and washes Christ's feet with her tears.

The Corinthians repented--and were made sorrowful after a godly manner.

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