

REPENTANCE BRINGS REFRESHING

Direction, Identity, and Real-Life Obedience

PARTICIPATION GUIDE | ACTS 3:17-21 (KJV)

BIG IDEA Repentance is God's gracious invitation to change our mind, turn toward Jesus, and receive renewal from His presence.

GROUP LENS Repentance redirects our relationships, ambitions, habits, identity, money, and digital life toward Jesus.

Reconnect • Week 2: Give Jesus the Glory

- The miracle opened the door for the Gospel.
- Peter rejected credit for the healing and redirected the glory to Jesus.
- Jesus is the Holy One, the Just, and the Prince of Life whom God raised from the dead.
- Faith in Jesus made the man completely whole.

BRIDGE The miracle opened the door. The Gospel revealed Jesus. Repentance is our response—and refreshing comes from the presence of the Lord.

Before We Begin

What decision are people our age expected to figure out without much guidance?

You may participate by reading, speaking, writing, or listening. Share only what is appropriate; personal disclosure is never required.

YOUNG ADULTS LIFE GROUP • READ AND RESPOND

Read the Word • Acts 3:17-21

Acts 3:17-18 And now, brethren, I wot that through ignorance ye did it, as did also your rulers. But those things, which God before had shewed by the mouth of all his prophets, that Christ should suffer, he hath so fulfilled.

Acts 3:19 Repent ye therefore, and be converted, that your sins may be blotted out, when the times of refreshing shall come from the presence of the Lord;

Acts 3:20-21 And he shall send Jesus Christ, which before was preached unto you: Whom the heaven must receive until the times of restitution of all things, which God hath spoken by the mouth of all his holy prophets since the world began.

Grace Confronts Without Condemning

Acts 3:17-18

Peter names the truth without canceling the people. Grace gives room to grow, not permission to remain unchanged.

How is biblical accountability different from online shaming?

When does 'this is just who I am' become resistance to God's transforming work?

Repentance Changes Our Direction

Acts 3:19

Self-awareness is not the same as transformation. A changed mind becomes a changed direction and one observable next step.

Where am I most tempted to settle for awareness instead of action?

What accountability helps without becoming controlling?

Refreshing And Restoration Come From God

Acts 3:19-21

A past decision does not have to dictate a future identity. God's presence renews us for faithful choices.

Where am I seeking relief when I really need renewal?

How does Christ's future restoration give purpose to obedience that does not produce instant results?

YOUNG ADULTS LIFE GROUP • APPLY THE WORD

DECISION POINT

1. OLD DIRECTION Choose one area: relationships, habits, money, school/work, digital life, or spiritual routines.

2. TRUTH GOD REVEALS Write the truth that challenges the old direction.

3. NEW-DIRECTION ACTION Choose one action, a deadline, and a trustworthy accountability partner.

Kingdom Conversation

- What in this passage corrects a common misunderstanding of repentance?
- Where do people most often get stuck: recognition, agreement, turning, or obedience?
- How can this Life Group support repentance without producing shame or gossip?

My Kingdom Challenge

THIS WEEK Choose one decision point. Replace a vague intention with a specific action, a deadline, and a trustworthy accountability partner.

My first visible step:

I will complete it by:

A trustworthy person who may support me:

Prayer

Father, help me stop defending what You are confronting. Turn my heart toward Christ, blot out my sins, renew me in Your presence, and produce visible fruit through my obedience. Amen.

NEXT WEEK Acts 3:22-26 • God's Covenant Continues