The Lord Requires Everyone to Repent

(Luke 24:45-47)

Introduction:

- 1. We learn from Luke's account of the Great Commission that the Lord wants "all nations" to learn about "repentance and remission of sins."
- 2. The Lord wants everyone to learn about repentance because He requires everyone to repent.
 - a. Acts 17:30-31
 - b. 2 Peter 3:9
- 3. In our lesson we are studying passages that show specifically who must repent.
- 4. Let us begin by pointing out that . . .

Discussion:

- I. REPENTANCE IS REQUIRED OF THOSE WHO WANT TO RECEIVE THE REMISSION OF SINS
 - A. Acts 2:38
 - B. Acts 3:19
- II. REPENTANCE IS REQUIRED OF CHRISTIANS WHO SIN
 - A. In Acts 8:13 we read about the conversion of Simon.
 - B. According to vs.14-19, Simon sinned when he wanted to buy a special ability that only the apostles had.
 - C. Peter told Simon to repent (vs.20-23).
 - D. Simon requested prayer on his behalf (vs.24).
- III. REPENTANCE IS REQUIRED OF CHURCHES THAT SIN
 - A. The Lord told the church in Ephesus to repent (Revelation 2:1-7).
 - B. The Lord told the church in Pergamos to repent (Revelation 2:12-17).
 - C. The Lord told the church in Thyatira to repent (Revelation 2:18-29).
 - D. The Lord told the church in Sardis to repent (Revelation 3:1-6).
 - E. The Lord told the church in Laodicea to repent (Revelation 3:14-22).

Conclusion:

- 1. The Bible clearly teaches that "the Lord requires everyone to repent."
- 2. He requires everyone to repent because He is "not willing that any should perish" (2 Peter 3:9).
- 3. Those who refuse to repent will perish (Luke 13:3, 5).
- 4. Those who repent cause joy to be experienced in heaven (Luke 15:10).