

## The Path to Repentance



**Background** – This series is designed to show us the sovereignty of God and that He controls all things, no matter what our circumstances might say.

**Key Verse/Scripture Memory** – [Daniel 9:17-19](#)

**Core Passage** - [Daniel Chapter 9](#)

**Take Away** - Daniel teaches us how to live a life of repentance.

### Sermon Guide:

#### I. Daniel teaches us how to live a life of repentance.

- 1) Reading God's word leads to awareness and insight.  
[Daniel 9:1-3, Hebrews 1:1-4](#)
- 2) God initiates relationally with us which produces a desire to repent.  
[Daniel 9:4-10, John 6:44](#)
- 3) The consequences of sin are devastating and motivate us to repent.  
[Daniel 9:11-14](#)
- 4) The process of repentance is expressed through prayer and confession.  
[Daniel 9:15-19, 1 John 1:8-10](#)
- 5) Repentance leads to salvation and victory over evil.  
[Daniel 9:20-27](#)

#### II. How can we apply God's Word to our lives?

- 1) Do you understand your need to repent? What does this look like in your life?
- 2) Talk to God and repent of anything He shows you.

#### III. Family/Small Group Discussion

- 1) Pray – That the message of Daniel would encourage us to trust God for our future.
- 2) Briefly review the sermon outline. Have people read aloud a few of the scriptures covered and explain why they are important and meaningful.

3) Discuss together:

- 1) In verses 4-19, Daniel nestled his prayer in who God is. List all the aspects of God's character that Daniel appealed to in his request.
- 2) In the past months, what aspects of God's character have you been discovering and learning about, and how is God teaching you about this trait?
- 3) What specific insights about your prayer life can you glean from Daniel's prayer? What is one specific method you can apply to your personal prayer time?
- 4) Daniel consistently uses the plural pronoun "we" throughout the prayer. Why do you think Daniel could confess for the whole nation?
- 5) Consider our church and our nation. If we were to pray a prayer similar to Daniel's today, what would we confess?