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- (1) The path of obedience is full of **POTHOLES**.

Judges 1:19/ Luke 1:28, 42 & Luke 2:1-24, Matthew 1:18-2: 23

- (2) The path of obedience is a **LONG ROAD**,
not a **SHORT WALK**.

Proverbs 3:5-6/ Deuteronomy 7:17-23 & Exodus 23:27-30/ Psalm 73/ Hebrews 11:35-40

- (3) Partial obedience never works out well
IN THE LONG RUN.

Judges 1:28-36

- (4) When we leave the path of obedience, it takes more than
“**I’M SORRY**” to regain God’s **HELP** and **SUPPORT**.

Judges 10:10-16/ 2 Corinthians 7:10/ Hebrews 12:5-11

- (5) We can’t **RESIST** the things we’re told to **FLEE**.

Judges 1:28-2:15/ 2 Timothy 2:22/ 1 Corinthians 6:18 & 10:14
James 1:14 & Matthew 5:19/ Proverbs 4:14-15

- (6) There’s always a **SECOND CHANCE**, until there **ISN’T**.

Isaiah 55:6/ Numbers 13-14



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Food for Thought for the week of December 12, 2021

1. Larry shed light on what repentance is and isn't in his message this past weekend. When you think about repentance, what comes to mind?

2. Read 2 Chronicles 7:14. What can you learn about what repentance looks like in the lives of God's children from this passage? If regret is truly not a substitution for biblical repentance (the turning away from sin in our life), are there any situations that have happened in your life where you realize now you only experienced regret and not biblical repentance?

How do the following passages encourage you to move from regret to repentance in your life?

Acts 3:19 New International Version (NIV)

¹⁹ Repent, then, and turn to God, so that your sins may be wiped out, that times of refreshing may come from the Lord,

Proverbs 28:13 New International Version (NIV)

¹³ Whoever conceals their sins does not prosper,
but the one who confesses and renounces them finds mercy.

2 Chronicles 30:9 New International Version (NIV)

⁹ If you return to the LORD, then your fellow Israelites and your children will be shown compassion by their captors and will return to this land, for the LORD your God is gracious and compassionate. He will not turn his face from you if you return to him."

3. Larry unpacked the idea that “partial obedience is disobedience” this weekend. Take a moment to pause and reflect on your own life. Are there any areas where you have only been partially obedient? Is there something stopping you from being completely obedient in that area?

Regularly feeding ourselves with the Word of God strengthens our determination to fully obey Him. Read the following passages. Then write down the benefits of obedience according to Scripture.

1 Corinthians 15:58 New International Version (NIV)

⁵⁸ Therefore, my dear brothers and sisters, stand firm. Let nothing move you. Always give yourselves fully to the work of the Lord, because you know that your labor in the Lord is not in vain.

John 15:16 New International Version (NIV)

¹⁶ You did not choose me, but I chose you and appointed you so that you might go and bear fruit—fruit that will last—and so that whatever you ask in my name the Father will give you.

1 John 3:21-22 New International Version (NIV)

²¹ Dear friends, if our hearts do not condemn us, we have confidence before God ²² and receive from him anything we ask, because we keep his commands and do what pleases him.

Psalms 128:1 New International Version (NIV)

Blessed are all who fear the LORD,
who walk in obedience to him.