

The Process of Real Repentance

Judges 10

Notes on other Judges (Judges 10:1-5): Tola and Jair were used of God to lead and deliver Israel between Gideon and Jephthah.

I. God's disciplines us when we go our own way and pursue gods that cannot satisfy or help us (10:5-10).

- A. God's indictment – Sin angers God because He is just.
- B. God's discipline – Israel suffered from the Ammonites for 18 years before admitting responsibility.

The Process of True Repentance (Judges 10)

➤ God uses time and consequences to allow us to become desperate for His help (10:6-9)

1. Take responsibility that our sin is causing our misery (10:6-10).
2. Acknowledge that our sin is against God (10:10; Psalm 51:4).
3. Acknowledge that our God-substitutes can't help us (10:11-15).
4. Throw ourselves on God's mercy without conditions (10:16a).
5. Start immediate obedience (10:16b)

➤ God feels deep compassion for our suffering and responds in grace to help us when we truly repent.

II. God shows us compassion and grace when we truly repent of our sin (10:11-18)

- A. God felt compassion for Israel's suffering and responded with grace to their repentance (10:11-16).
- B. God's deliverance begins: Gilead looks for a leader to deliver them (10:17-18).

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Repentance – The Big Picture

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- Learning to walk in fellowship with Christ and depend on the power of the Holy Spirit

Before – A Prepared Heart

Repentance

After – Continual Dependence on God's Power

