



Reclaiming Lent Pt.2

February 18th, 2024

CONNECT AND GET TO KNOW

- 1) Have you ever had a celebrity sighting?

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

Feel free to use these questions as a starting point for your group discussion on the sermon, and encourage participants to share their personal experiences and insights.

- 1) How does the sermon challenge your current perception of time and its significance in your life?
- 2) We heard that repentance is turning from our sin and turning to God. The greek word metanoia implies a deep life change based on an encounter with God.
 - a) What has your experience been like with repentance?
 - b) Why do you think it's difficult for some to embrace the idea of repenting?
- 3) Who does Zaccheus represent in 2024? Who's home would Jesus invite him to today that religious folks might have an issue with?
- 4) There were three main points to Trey's message: 1) Zaccheus postured himself on the tree to encounter Jesus, 2) Zaccheus accepted Jesus' dinner invitation, and 3) Zaccheus repents and responds.
 - a) Which of the three points best resonates with your own life?
- 5) The sermon mentions the idea that repentance is not a one-time event but a continual process. How do you maintain a mindset of ongoing repentance in your daily life?
- 6) Share a personal example of how God's kindness and love have led you to repentance and transformation.
- 7) Reflect on the statement, "It's never too late to make a u-turn." Do you agree or disagree?
 - a) If you have time, discuss John Newton's experience with repentance and writing "Amazing Grace".

COMMIT

- Commit to Lent this year by giving up some things and taking up others. Join in on the communal prompts at outerwest.org/lent.

PRAYER

- Pray for all of the short-term groups starting (Divorcecare, Griefshare, Alpha, EHS, FPU).