



It is no accident that you are here today! You are exactly where you should be. Your entire life has been preparing you for this moment in time. God has been orchestrating the events of your life in such a way as to bring you to this moment and to this awakening. He is waiting, right now, to completely change the direction of your life ... if you will allow it. This is the decision of a lifetime. Don't miss out on it.

Conviction 37

“Cut” is *κατανύσσω* *katanusso* means “to pierce and cause great pain.”

The soldier “pierced” Jesus side. John 19:34

Our piercing is the piercing of our conscience.

The Holy Spirit convicts of sin, righteousness, & judgment. John 16:9-11

Conviction does not always lead people to turn to Jesus! Acts 7:54

Repentance 38-39

Repentance is not penance – only Jesus can save us.

Repentance is not remorse - Matthew 27:3-5

Repentance is not self-condemnation

REPENTANCE IS TURNING TO GOD

Metanoeo *μετανοέω* To change your mind and your purpose.

Repentance comes due to the realization of the gravity of your sin.

to repent is to turn away from your way to God and His way.

Genuine repentance involves heartfelt sorrow for sin.

Godly sorrow produces repentance leading to salvation. 1 Cor 7:10

Unless you repent, you shall likewise perish! Luke 13:3-5

“Repent that your sins may be wiped away.” Acts 3:19

Urgency 40

Peter preached a longer sermon, but only part of it is recorded here.

The rest of his message: “Be saved from this perverse generation.”

Not only is your eternity at stake, but the rest of your life is in jeopardy!

Peter possessed a sense of urgency! Time is of the essence.

It is my job to do everything possible to convince you. 2 Timothy 4:1-2

Reception 41

#1. The most important decision: Receive the Gospel.

Believe on the Lord Jesus Christ, and you will be saved – Acts 16:31

confess with your mouth and believe in your heart. Romans 10:9-10

#2 Be Baptized.

There is something special about being baptized.

Baptism cements your decision publicly.

#3 Be added to the church.

These three decisions tell us whether or not you have really been convicted by the Holy Spirit, whether or not you have really repented, and whether or not you really understand the urgency of the message. You are at a crossroads. You can go left, or you can go right. You can choose to follow His plan or go your own way. This is the decision of a lifetime. And when you make it, it results in an Evangelism Explosion.