EPISODE 3: REPENTANCE & BAPTISM

Statement of Faith: (p.4)

Baptism and Repentance. The beginning of real faith

- Repentance: the response to the gospel.
- Jesus first message Matt 3:2
- Acts 17:30- to the gentiles.
- For everyone: Jew and gentile
- Acts 3:19- turn back. The essence of Repentance: Turning from, turning to.

Turning from our sins.... Sorrow, confession, admitting it is wrong, and our intent not to repeat.

Turning to Jesus....

- Repentance is different than just a resolution or turning over a new leaf.
- It is toward God

Paul in Acts 20:21- Faith and repentance go together. Toward God

- It means we leave sin behind and pursue christ and new ways of living.
- We willingly submit everything to Christ.
- Sexuality, finances, relationships, calendar, jobs, etc.
- Our actions, but also our thoughts, our words.

And this is the new way of the Christian life. So we talk a lot about our own sin and failing and what it means to follow Jesus.

- What does repentance look like for you?

Baptism: the public profession of our faith and obedience to Jesus.

- Matt 28: GC
- Part of becoming a disciple is getting baptized.
- It is uniquely a confession of 2 things: 1 that we are dirty and sinful, and 2 that we believe in the forgiving power of Christ.
- Have you been baptized? We would like to hear the story, and if not we would like to help you follow Jesus in this way.