

Change of Heart—Repent

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Luke 13:1-19

It was common in ancient Jewish culture to understand tragic events as the result of sin in the life of those affected. In Luke 13, Jesus asks the question to those listening, whether the people who suffered these tragedies were worse sinners? But before they have an opportunity to begin engaging in discussion about sin in the lives of these other people, Jesus reminds his audience of the reality that all of them are going to face death at some point and need to consider their own standing before God.

Whether by tragic events or natural causes, we all will die and stand in judgment before God. It is easy to get caught up in debating the sins of others and their need to repent. How will these other people respond to God's call to turn to Him? The danger in this is we begin to lose sight of our own lives. We fail to consider the sin present in our lives and our need to repent. Jesus reminds us to first consider how we will respond to God's call to turn to Him.

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