

## Outline 5

# The Truth of the Spotted Leopard

I. The most critical question humans could ask—What must I do to be \_\_\_\_\_ ?

A. Asked by a man about to kill himself. **ACTS 16:29-ff (1070)**

1. The truth of the spotted leopard: **JEREMIAH 13:23 (742)**

a. We cannot \_\_\_\_\_ our basic human nature.

b. We can change the outside appearance but cannot \_\_\_\_\_ ourselves.

c. The apostle Paul's experience illustrates it.

**ROMANS 7:18, 19, 15 (1090)**

d. Yet the penalty for failure to change is eternal death.

**ROMANS 6:23 (1089)**

2. Answered by Paul: \_\_\_\_\_ on the Lord Jesus Christ. **ACTS 16:31 (1070)**

a. The first step in faith is believing certain things are true.

i. The devil believes, but it has not \_\_\_\_\_ him. **JAMES 2:19 (1159)**

ii. This is the intellectual \_\_\_\_\_ stage of faith (recognizing truth).

b. A second important step in faith: faith is \_\_\_\_\_ .

i. Faith is entry into the \_\_\_\_\_ of God, receiving what they have to offer.

ii. Belief is not enough. We must \_\_\_\_\_ on that belief.

c. An acronym for FAITH: "Forsaking All, I Take Him."

3. The Bible assures that positive change is possible.

a. God's gift of \_\_\_\_\_ makes the difference.

**JOHN 3:16 (1027)**

b. The change is called being \_\_\_\_\_ again.

**JOHN 3:6, 7 (1027)**

B. Asked by a crowd of thousands in Jerusalem. **ACTS 2 (1053)**

1. Answered by Peter: " \_\_\_\_\_ and be \_\_\_\_\_ ." **ACTS 2:38 (1053)**

a. To repent means to confess and \_\_\_\_\_ our sins. **PROVERBS 28:13 (633)**

b. Our sins caused Jesus' death. **1 PETER 2:24 (1163); ISAIAH 53:6 (710)**

2. When we repent, we are completely \_\_\_\_\_ . **1 JOHN 1:9 (1168)**

Our sins go into the depths of the sea. **MICAH 7:19 (906)**

C. Asked by a rich young ruler. **MATTHEW 19:16 (954)**

1. Answered by Jesus: " \_\_\_\_\_ the commandments."

**MATTHEW 19:17 (954)**

2. Jesus revealed this young man's lack by inviting him to put God first in his life. **MATTHEW 19:21 (955)**

II The ultimate answer to life's ultimate question: **1 JOHN 5:11-13 (1171)**

A. "He who has the \_\_\_\_\_ has \_\_\_\_\_ ."

B. "He who does not have the \_\_\_\_\_ of God does not have \_\_\_\_\_ ."

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*ANSWERS: (I) saved; A-1-a: change; A-1-b: save; A-2: believe; A-2-a-t: saved; A-2-a-it: assent; A-2-b: trust; A-2-b-t: promises; A-2-b-it: act; A-3-a: Jesus; A-3-b: born; B-1: repent, baptized; B-1-a: forsake; B-2: forgiven; C-1: keep) (II) A-son, life; B-son, life)*