

In today's passage, the Hebrew word "shuv" appears repeatedly. This "shuv" means to return. It is also often translated as repentance. In short, today's passage is about Naomi's difficult and painful return journey. However, because of this painful and sorrowful journey, Naomi eventually experiences God's blessing, transforming a story of death into a story of life, and turning emptiness into fullness. The return was painful, but the result was a precious blessing.

I have heard it said that today's church has lost repentance. Without repentance, there is no change, no restoration. By losing repentance, the church becomes unable to see or believe in repentance. When Christianity loses repentance, it loses the gospel and life. The first and most important message Jesus proclaimed when He came to this earth was repentance. When true repentance occurs in our lives, we experience the blessing of restoration and salvation.

Naomi's return story vividly illustrates the principle of repentance. Specifically, look at verse 6. It describes three actions Naomi took to return: she "heard," she "got up," and she "returned." When Naomi decided to return to her hometown, she had fears. Will God accept me? Will God accept me back as His people, having left Him? Will He care for me as He cares for His people? But the result was that God received her with love, and He blessed her in ways beyond her expectations. He filled her life abundantly with life, and most importantly, she played a crucial role in bringing Jesus to this earth.

Believe that there is no restoration without repentance, and no resurrection without the cross. We must listen to God's call to return from our positions in life. May God's story be heard in our lives, may we rise from the places we need to leave, and may genuine repentance occur as we believe in God's love and return to Him.

**Bible
Memorization**

A VERSE FOR THIS WEEK

“If we confess our sins, He is faithful and just and will forgive us our sins and purify us from all unrighteousness.” (1 John 1:9)

**Bible
Reading**

6/24(Mon)	6/25(Tue)	6/26(Wed)	6/27(Thur)	6/28(Fri)	6/29(Sat)	6/30(Sun)
Psalms 13-18	Psalms 19-25	Psalms 26-31	Psalms 32-37	Psalms 38-42	Psalms 43-48	Psalms 49-55

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Quiet Time Passage

6/24(Mon)	6/25(Tue)	6/26(Wed)	6/27(Thur)	6/28(Fri)	6/29(Sat)	6/30(Sun)
2 Kings 3:13-27	2 Kings 4:1-7	2 Kings 4:8-17	2 Kings 4:18-37	2 Kings 4:38-44	2 Kings 5:1-14	2 Kings 5:15-27

**Sharing
Questions**

1. Share any new insights or grace you received from today’s message.

2. Reflect on whether there is a true history of repentance in your life, and share the grace you need in your life through Naomi’s three steps of repentance.

3. Discuss whether you trust and believe in God, who will joyfully receive you as you repent.