

1. Jeremiah 29:11 – “For I know the plans I have for you, declares the Lord, plans for welfare and not for evil, to give you a future and a hope.”
 - a. All of chapter 29 of Jeremiah
 - b. Written to captives in Babylon in 596 BC after their deportation in 597 BC (the second, Ezekiel was taken) and Nebuchadnezzar making Zedekiah king of Judah
2. David
 - a. 2 Samuel 11-12
 - b. Psalm 51
 - c. Psalm 51:12-13 similar to Jesus’ words to Peter
3. Philippians 3:7-16 - “Indeed, I count everything as loss because of the surpassing worth of knowing Christ Jesus my Lord. For his sake I have suffered the loss of all things and count them as rubbish, in order that I may gain Christ and be found in him, not having a righteousness of my own that comes from the law, but that which comes through faith in Christ, the righteousness from God that depends on faith— 10 that I may know him and the power of his resurrection, and may share his sufferings, becoming like him in his death, 11 that by any means possible I may attain the resurrection from the dead. 12 Not that I have already obtained this or am already perfect, but I press on to make it my own, because Christ Jesus has made me his own. 13 Brothers, I do not consider that I have made it my own. But one thing I do: forgetting what lies behind and straining forward to what lies ahead, 14 I press on toward the goal for the prize of the upward call of God in Christ Jesus. 15 Let those of us who are mature think this way, and if in anything you think otherwise, God will reveal that also to you. 16 Only let us hold true to what we have attained.”
4. Peter in Luke 22:29-32 -

“I assign to you, as my Father assigned to me, a kingdom, 30 that you may eat and drink at my table in my kingdom and sit on thrones judging the twelve tribes of Israel. “Simon, Simon, behold, Satan demanded to have you, that he might sift you like wheat, 32 but I have prayed for you that your faith may not fail. And when you have turned again, strengthen your brothers.”

Luke 22:32

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32 ἐγώ	δὲ	ἐδεήθην	περὶ	σοῦ ,	ἵνα	μὴ	ἐκλίπη	ἡ	πίστις	σου ;	καὶ	σύ ,	ποτε
I	however	begged	for	you	that	not	might fail	the	faith	of you	and	you	when
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you have turned back	strengthen	the	brothers	of you
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Original Word: ἐπιστρέφω

Part of Speech: Verb

Transliteration: epistrefō

Pronunciation: eh-pee-STREF-oh

Phonetic Spelling: (ep-ee-stref-o)

come again, convert, return.

From *epi* and *strephe*; to revert (literally, figuratively or morally) -- come (go) again, convert, (re-)turn (about, again).

Word Origin: [from G1909 (ἐπί - over) and G4762 (στρέφω - turned)]

- a.
- b. Luke 22:54-62

5. Steps:

- a. Judge self
- b. Humble self
- c. Confess sin
- d. Trust God
- e. Walk in faith (not looking back in judgment, pride, self-effort, human plan)

6. James 4:6-10

7. 1 Peter 5:5-11

8. Examples:

- a. Cain – Genesis 4:1-15
- b. Joshua in Joshua 7:6 – concerning the taking of Ai in Joshua 7-8
- c. King Ahab and Elijah – 1 Kings 18-19
- d. King Ahaz and Isaiah – Isaiah 7
 - i. Ahaz goes to Assyrian King Tiglath-Pileser for help against King Rezin of Syria (Damascus) and Pekah son of Remaliah the king of Israel (north)
- e. King Zedekiah of Judah (the last king of Judah in 597-586 BC) and Jeremiah – Jer. 52
- f. Moses – Exodus 2:15-22

9. Right decisions learned by experience created from making bad decisions

10. Mistakes:

- a. act on right commitments based on emotions
- b. attempt to do God's work by human strength.
- c. more concerned about what others think (or, what we think) than about what God thinks
- d. attempt to do God's work at the wrong time
- e. try to cover up our sin and hide it from God
- f. assume that others' hearts are receptive when they are not