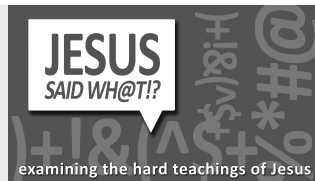


## Jesus Priority: Repentance

The Hard Sayings of Jesus - Part 5 Luke 13:1-5  
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Luke 13:1-5 Now there were some present at that time who told Jesus about the Galileans whose blood Pilate had mixed with their sacrifices. <sup>2</sup> Jesus answered, "Do you think that these Galileans were worse sinners than all the other Galileans because they suffered this way? <sup>3</sup> I tell you, no! But unless you repent, you too will all perish. <sup>4</sup> Or those eighteen who died when the tower in Siloam fell on them—do you think they were more guilty than all the others living in Jerusalem? <sup>5</sup> I tell you, no! But unless you repent, you too will all perish."

### 1. Who Experiences Tragedy?

It's no secret that we live in a broken world. Sin has marred everything and everyone feels its effects. You can count on more than just death and taxes. Whether it's personal evil (Pilate) or natural disaster (a tower collapse) living in a broken world means everyone will experience loss.

### 2. What Causes Suffering/Loss?

1. It could be God's discipline for rebellion.

Hebrews 12:6 "the Lord disciplines the one he loves, and he chastens everyone he accepts as his son." (Proverbs 3:11-12)

2. It could be the result of someone else's sin.

1 Kings 16:30 "Ahab son of Omri did more evil in the eyes of the Lord than did of those before him."

3. It could be the result of living in a broken world.

Luke 13:4 "those eighteen who died when the tower in Siloam fell"

4. It could be an opportunity to grow.

James 1:2-3 "My brothers and sisters, think of the various tests you encounter as occasions for joy. <sup>3</sup> After all, you know that the testing of your faith produces endurance."

### 3. Jesus' Priority: Repentance

Although Herod's wickedness & collapsing towers aren't insignificant to Jesus, He knows that one way or another we will all die, the **real tragedy is to die without repenting!** Repentance leads to eternal life!

2 Peter 3:9 "The Lord is not slow in keeping his promise, as some understand slowness. Instead he is patient with you, **not wanting anyone to perish, but everyone to come to repentance.**"

2 Cor. 7:10 "Godly sorrow brings **repentance that leads to salvation**"



### Community Group Questions:

1. What did you hear? What hit home from the message? How did this message challenge, change, or affirm your thinking?
2. If someone asks you, "why do bad things happen to good people?" How do you answer them?
3. What lessons or perspective changes have you had because of the natural threat of fire (the Caldor Fire)?

**Pool of Siloam Discovery:** <https://www.biblicalarchaeology.org/daily/biblical-sites-places/biblical-archaeology-sites/the-siloam-pool-where-jesus-healed-the-blind-man/>

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