

REVIVAL

FROM THE BIBLE

“God’s Gift of Guilt”

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“Inspiration faithfully records the faults of good men, those who were distinguished by the favor of God; indeed, their faults are more fully presented than their virtues . . . It is one of the strongest evidences of the truth of Scripture, that facts are not glossed over, nor the sins of its chief characters suppressed” (PP 238.1).

- Judah, the 4th-born son, was raised in a _____ family. God takes into account everyone’s _____ background (Ps 87:6).
- ▶ **Q1:** Based on Gen 37:26-38:26 what kind of a man was Judah?
 1. He was jealous of, and _____ his half-brother Joseph (Gen 37).
 2. He said to sell Joseph as a slave, making money (a **mercenary**).
 3. Ignoring his father’s sorrow, he was a _____ - _____ son.
 4. Becoming close friends with a non-believer, he became **worldly**.
 5. He married a Canaanite; thus, he was an _____ believer.
 6. It appears that he became somewhat of an **absentee** husband.
 7. As a father, he failed, raising two sons who were very **wicked**.
 8. He directly deceived his daughter-in-law; he was a _____.
 9. When tempted by a woman on the way, he gave in and **sinned**.
 10. When someone else sinned, he was a **quick-to-condemn** man.
- Here (in Gen 38:26) is a “Hint of Hope for a _____ Change:
 - ▶ **Q2:** What are Three Steps of Transformation (from this text)?
 - a. _____ that you, personally, **do** have a problem/issue!
 - b. _____ what the real reason behind this problem/issue is.
 - c. _____ in full accordance with this new direction in your life.
 - ▶ **Q3:** What is that, if we are willing, will lead us to repentance?
“The _____ of _____ leads you to repentance” (Rom 4:2).

“He has an honest heart who yields to the conviction of the Holy Spirit. He confesses his **guilt**, and feels his need of the mercy and love of God. He has a sincere desire to know the truth, that he may obey it” (COL 58.2)

Thank God for His “Gift of Guilt,” love & mercy!
How can you and I respond this week to the goodness of God?