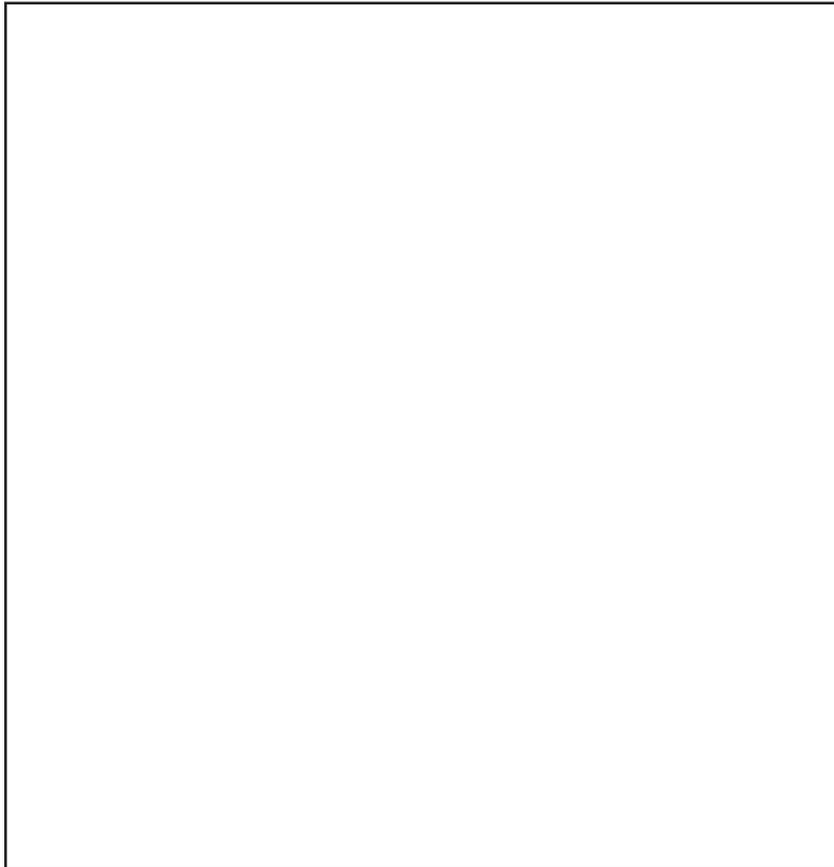


# Everlasting Punishment or Tender Mercies



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Does God punish you when you do something bad, when you “sin?” What if your mother tells you not to touch the stove when it is on but you disobey her. When you burn your hand, is your mother punishing you or do you have a burned hand because of your own actions? Moses gave us **10 Commandments** that are like that. They don’t mean, “don’t do this or I’ll punish you.” They mean, “don’t do this because it will bring bad things and unhappiness to you.” Jesus gave us the **Beatitudes** which give us a guide to what our thoughts and actions should be. How many of them can you remember?

We often hear that we need to “repent“ for our “sins.” Did you know that word actually means to “re-think?” When we do something bad, we need to turn to God, to re-think what we were doing and His **Tender Mercies** will help us get back on track!



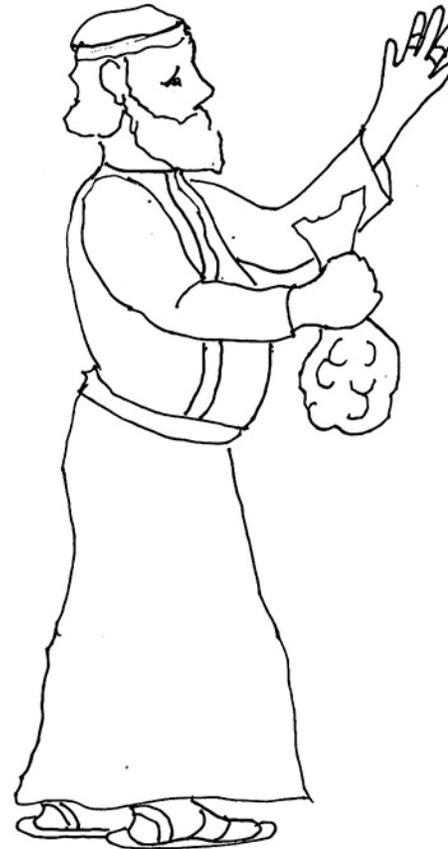
Moses' brother and sister, Aaron and Miriam, were jealous of him and they didn't like it that Moses had married a woman of a different race. Miriam got a nasty disease. Moses prayed for her and she was healed. What was her "re-think?" \_\_\_\_\_



Jesus healed a woman who had been bent over for 18 years! It was the sabbath day when he healed her and Jesus was accused of breaking the 4th commandment. What needed to be "re-thought" here? \_\_\_\_\_



Jesus once told a story or parable about a Pharisee (a religious leader) and a Publican (a tax collector) who were praying. The Pharisee was thanking God that he was better than everyone else. The Publican asked God for mercy. Jesus asked, "Which man was justified?" What do you think? What "re-thinking" was needed here? \_\_\_\_\_ 4



After Jesus' left, his followers went around telling people about what Jesus taught and healing. Philip was doing just that in a city in Samaria when a sorcerer named Simon came to him and offered him money to give him the power to heal people;

Philip told him, "**Repent therefore of this thy wickedness, and pray God, if perhaps the thought of thine heart may be forgiven.**"

Which of these is good for "re-thinking?"  
**Unselfishness Goodness Mercy Justice Health Holiness Love**