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A. Repentance toward God (40-41)

- 1) He didn't fear God or the coming judgment (40).
- 2) He had violated God's law (41).
- 3) He deserved whatever punishment he got in this life and in eternity (41).
- 4) Unlike himself, Jesus is innocent (41).

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B. Faith in Christ Alone (42)

- 1) He acknowledged Jesus was his rightful King.
- 2) He acknowledged he did not belong—and was unworthy to belong—to Christ's kingdom.
- 3) He wanted to be part of Christ's kingdom.
- 4) He put his eternal hope in the Person of Jesus Christ.

III. The Divine Declaration Only Some Receive (43)