PM Sermon for June 19, 1955 - on Mark 6:12

First of the Main Four (Repentance)
(Scripture - Mark 6:

1) T. movie, "A Man Called P."... You may rem. that when she was taken ill of tb. she began to thk it must be a pun. for her sins; and she agoniz. searched her life f. whatev. she had done that was wrong - and md. a list of thgs wh. she had to confess and for wh., if pos. she had to atone...

SHE WS DIF. FROM SOME PEO. THERE, FOR MMMMMMMMMMMMMMMO MANY DO WD. NEV. ADMIT THAT THEY WERE BEING BEING PUN. *THO THEY LIKE TO FEEL THAT WHEN MISF. FALLS ON OTHERS THAT THAT IS PROOF OF THR GREAT SINF.

Cf/report brt to Jesus one day of those whose bld Pilate mingled...and what he ob adv aid....."Except ye rep..." SICKN. IS NOT NECES. PUN., NOR ABDG HEALTH OR PROSP. BE SIGN OF GOD'S FAVOR....

Lk at Dives while on earth...
Lk at John t. Bap. - or at Jas. t. bro. of John - was God reg-g him w. disfavor...

2) But Mrs. M. did find some thgs that needed settlg up - and that shd remind us that good people need at times to rep. IF THEY REPENTED IN A THOROGOING WAY WHEN THEY BEC. XNS, THEY WILL T. MORE READILY REPENT AFT, WHENEV. THEY NEED TO.

It may be either for thgs they did, ~~or be left thgs~~, or for good thgs they didn't do, ~~but left undone~~.....

ANY PERSON, FIFTEEN OR FIFTY, OR ANY AGE lying ona sick bed, mi.well say - "What ought I with all ther adv-s and opp-s I hv had, to hv accomp.for God and man -an how I have fallen short... Cf."All have sinned and come short..."-short-changing God

4) ~~Who~~, then, needs to repent -everybody - what they tk as thr message - TEXT - Not get more educ., not be respec not go to ch., but repent...

5) What rep.is - changing yr mind abt ~~wrong-doing~~, so that you quit it, and abt right-doing that you fallen short in, so that you begin (or say, abt right and wrong, so that you quit doing wrong,and start doing ri.)

T.fellow who said he was going to settle down - ~~needed to settle up~~ - Zac.~~didn't~~ decide~~d merely to set down but~~ to set up....

WHEN WE CAN MAKE RESTITUT.FOR SOME EVIL WE HAVE DONE, WE MUST DO THAT OR THRE IS NOTHG TO OUR REP

Somet.you can't - cf.woman who had spread injur.stories- bag of feathers.....cf.taking some one's life- rep.can't raise t.dead....

THE TIME TO REPENT IS BEFORE WE DONE THOSE TERRIBLE DEEDS....

The.prod.son didn't have to go into t.far.co.- he cd have rep. of his wrong impulses bef.he had wasted.his life....

6) Chil. and lit.sins - a small poison ivy plant is t.real art. as truly as a large one - it will grow into somethg just as destruc.---
Cf.mathcing pennies...
Cf.cruelty to turtle...

7) "Works meet" as John Bap.said ...deeds suitable...
IT MEANS STOPPING T.WRONG THGS ~~THAT HAVE BEEN IN OUR LIVES~~ AND STARTING T.RIGHT ONES...
Cf.some poepl who mi.say "Mr X/Y ~~So and So~~ has cert.reptd & truly gvn his heart to t.Ld -do you rem.how he used to curse and swear? Well, now... Wond, isn't it"?" Yes as far as it goes....but....
Cf/"Mr Y who used to be such a gambler...,now saves his money; doesn't gamble at all; glor.isn't it..."/"Yes. up to a cert.pt...But....
And then -later - Mr.X has gone to work for t.Ld with his gift of sp.....and Mr.Y is giving reg...to t.church...
NOW T.MMMMMMMMMMMMMMMMMMMMMMMMMMMM
MMMMM.QUALITY IS RIGHT, POS AS WELL AS NEG.* BUT T.QUANT SHD INCREASE...."Cease to do evil; learn to do well; alw. abdg..."

Vr kgdom for you, my kgd. for me. Heaven

8) Who it is that is being sinned ag.when we do wrong -GOD, Cg.David "Ag.Thee, Thee only...."Now it was a sin ag.a splendid brave man -whomhe deceived and sent to his death - and a sin ag.this man's wife -but he saw that it was in t. fundam.sense a sin ag.God and THAT THAT WAS WHAT MADE IT SO TERRIBLE, AS ALL SIN IS * IT IS REBELLION AG GOD & DEFIANCE OF HIM INT.BRKG OF HIS LAWS...

Many a high school boy or girl is tempted to brk almost all the laws of God & man

9) What t.true rep.means when it is ri.und.and ri.ent.into - a change of yr mind for the mind of God - yr purp.for His "Ld, what wilt thou have me....?" Cg.woman in Boston - s[illegible]al... Whe she retd one night...idly picked up a bk lying by her bed...fundam.change - dropped cig.smoking....etc. a new cr.

WE OUGHT NOT HARP ON PARTIC. SINS THAT SEP.FRO T.HIGHEST USEF.WHEN WE TRY TO LEAD PEOPEL TO REP.AND SALVAT.*BUT LEAVE THAT TO GOD * "What thgs were gain to me, those I counted loss for Christ."

10) What they must hv included- "Repent and bel t.Gospel" -gd news if you change yr mds...and "Repent for the kgdom of h.is at ha