Zion Baptist Church Tuesday & Wednesday Bible Study Notes

Text: Luke 3:7-14

Subject: Transformation: Showing Conversion Fruit of Repentance

Discussion Questions:

1. What do the terms repentance and transformation mean to Christians? a.Repentance: change of mind, conversion.

b.Transformation: a thorough or dramatic change in form or appearance c.Conversion we will look at Thesaurus:

"Conversion: noun

1 fundamental alteration in one's system of beliefs <Judaism does not encourage conversion of gentiles>

synonyms metanoia, rebirth

related words about-face, reversal, turning; reclamation, regeneration *idioms* change of heart

2 change of one thing to another usually by substitution <*conversion* of locomotives from steam to diesel power>

synonyms alteration, changeover, shift, transformation

related words change, modification, qualification; metamorphosis, mutation, permutation, transmutation; innovation, novelty"¹

- 2. Why are Christians to show fruit of repentance? (Luke 3:8)
- 3. How do you understand verse 9?
- 4. What should you do? (vv.10-14) Write down John's response and share how it applies to you.
- 5. What does John mean in saying, "produce good fruit"? Where does this fruit come form?
- 6. Explain how you understand baptism.
- 7. Take time to reflect and pray how you can live a life of transformation (Romans 12:2; Galatians 6:15)?

¹ Inc Merriam-Webster, *Merriam-Webster's Collegiate Thesaurus* (Springfield, MA: Merriam-Webster, 1996).