

REPENTANCE

- Repent: Universal
 - Acts 17:30-31
- Old Testament
 - Joel 2:13
- New Testament
 - John the Baptist – Mt 3:2
 - Jesus – Mt 4:17
 - The Twelve – Mk 6:12
 - Lk 24:47 → Acts 2:38

REPENT

- Lit. “to perceive afterwards”
- “To change one’s mind” (Thayer)
- “...to change one’s mind for the better, heartily to amend with abhorrence one’s past sins”

- An entrance requirement into the kingdom of heaven
 - Acts 2:38; 3:19
- Christian
 - Ax 8:22
- A pre-requisite to forgiveness of sins

REPENTANCE

- The opportunity to repent is a gift of God
- Acts 5:30
- 2 Pet 3:9
- A choice only because of God's longsuffering

REPENTANCE: DAVID

- Message from God
 - 2 Sam 12:7, 9
- Convicted of Sin
 - 2 Sam 12:13
- Repented
 - Psalm 51

NINEVEH: JONAH 3:1-10

- Message from God
 - Jonah 3:2
- Believed God
 - Jonah 3:5
- Repented
 - Jonah 3:10

PENTECOST JEWS

- Gospel preached
 - Mk 16:15; Lk 24:47
- Heard
 - Ax 2:14ff
- Believed
 - Ax 2:36
- Cut to the heart
 - Ax 2:37
- Repented
 - Ax 2:38
- Baptized
 - Ax 2:38, 41
- Continually devoted
 - Ax 2:42

EPHESIANS

- Taught
 - Acts 20:18-21
- Believed
 - Acts 19:18
- Repented
 - Acts 19:19
- Fruits of repentance
 - Acts 19:19

THESSALONIANS

- Reasoned from the Scriptures
 - Acts 17:2
- Believed
 - Acts 17:4
 - 1 Thess 2:13
- Repented
 - 1 Thess 1:9
 - Turned from idols
 - To serve the living God
 - Reformation of life

CORINTHIANS

- They read I Corinthians
 - 2 Corinthians 7:8
- Godly sorrow
 - 2 Cor 7:8-10
 - Not sorrow of this world:
 - Sorry you were caught
 - Sorry someone was hurt
 - Sorry others are aware
 - Disappointment
 - Embarrassment

GODLY SORROW

- Matt 5:4 – mourn for sin
- Gen 39:9 – sin is against God
- I Jn 3:4 – sin is lawlessness
- Isa 59:1-2 – sin separates one from God
- Isa 53:5-6 – Jesus died for my sin

CORINTHIANS

- Repented
 - 2 Cor 7:9
- Produced:
 - Diligence
 - Clearing
 - Indignation
 - Fear
 - Vehement Desire
 - Zeal
 - Vindication
 - “Proved yourselves to be clear in this matter”

REPENTANCE INVOLVES

- Truth, Bible preaching
- Belief in the truth
- Conviction
- Godly sorrow
- Change of mind, change of will
- Rejection of sin
- Change of conduct, works befitting repentance
- Restitution

REPENTANCE IS NOT:

- Just being sorry for sin
 - Mt 27:3-5
 - Mk 6:26
- Confession of sin
 - I Jn 1:9
- Being afraid because of sin
 - Ax 24:25
- Just an outward reformation of action

REPENTANCE

- Is a 180 degree turn
 - Not eased into over time
- Involves a reformation of life
 - Turn back to one thing
 - Turn face toward the will of God
- I Cor 6:9-11
 - “such were some of you”
- Gal 1:23
 - “preaches the faith which he once tried to destroy”

REPENTANCE

- The *COST* to Repent
 - Lk 14:25-33
 - Mk 8:34
- The *REWARD*
 - Mk 10:29-30
- The *DESIRE* to Repent
 - Lk 3:10
 - Ax 2:37
 - Ax 8:24