

**RENEWAL & RECONCILIATION:**

Time for a Relationship Restart

Introduction: Have you ever wanted to start over in a relationship? Have you attempted to take words back after they were spoken? How about erasing an action from memory? The Bible gives us great advice on how to handle relationships. God is the greatest example for us to follow. If we want to improve our relationships with God, and others, we need to search the Scriptures. Let's study together...

Discussion:

***I. RELATIONSHIPS RESTART WHEN THERE IS CONFESSION AND REPENTANCE***

- II Corinthians 5:17-21
- II Corinthians 7:9-10
- James 5:16
- I John 1:8-10

***II. RELATIONSHIPS RESTART WHEN THERE IS MAINTENANCE AND RESOLUTION***

- Matthew 22:36-40
- Ephesians 5:21-33
- Colossians 3:1-21
- I Peter 3:7-12

***III. RELATIONSHIPS RESTART WHEN THERE IS EQUALITY AND RESPECT***

- Matthew 18:21-35
- Mark 12:28-34
- Luke 19:1-10
- Ephesians 2:14-18

Conclusion: The only way to have renewal, revival, and a restart is to resolve conflict and reconcile our relationships while we still have time. This is the beautiful part of the story of the prodigal son (Luke 15:11-32). The hardest part is moving forward! Are you willing to give forgiveness? Do you have the forgiveness of God? What can you do to "restart" your relationship with God and others? Make the change.