



G R E A T B I B L E W O R D S

Repentance

Introduction: Some people are opposed to change. We don't like to repent. The word re-pentance is interesting. It might be better expressed as re-penitent. We essentially get a re-do or a do-over. The word *penitent* means "contrite, sorry for sin or fault; disposed to making amends." The word *repent* means: "to feel self-reproach; contrition for past conduct; changing your mind with regard to past action; feeling sorry for sin or fault; disposing of something to change your life for the better." What does it mean to repent? Let's study this great Bible word together...

Discussion:

I. The Blessing of Repentance

- A. Repentance is an offering from God.
Luke 3:7-8, 5:32, Acts 11:18
- B. Repentance is an opportunity for change.
Luke 24:47, Acts 5:31, II Timothy 2:25
- C. Repentance is an open door for salvation.
Luke 13:3, 5, 15:7, Romans 2:4

II. The Need For Repentance

- A. Repentance reveals an open heart.
Job 42:6, Jeremiah 17:9, Acts 2:38
- B. Repentance reveals an open soul.
Romans 10:17, Proverbs 16:25, James 1:21
- C. Repentance reveals an open mind.
Romans 12:1-2, Hebrews 12:14-17, II Corinthians 7:9-11

III. The Life of Repentance

- A. Repentance is part of a daily walk.
Ephesians 4:17-32, James 5:19-20, I John 1:7-10
- B. Repentance is part of a deliberate walk.
Psalms 130:3-4, Matthew 6:14-15, Luke 17:4
- C. Repentance is part of a dynamic walk.
Romans 1:16, Ephesians 1:18-20, II Peter 3:9

Conclusion: The Bible tells us that our sins will find us out (**Numbers 32:23**), but if we confess our sins we shall have mercy (**Proverbs 28:13**). Don't hide your sin! Are you ready to repent? Are you ready to start walking right? Are you ready to put your past behind you? A clean slate awaits you! Let's share this wonderful word with others!