

**Outer Growth - Repentance** 

Then Peter and the other apostles answered and said, We ought to obey God rather than men. The God of our fathers raised up Jesus, whom ye slew and hanged on a tree. Him hath God exalted with his right hand to be a Prince and a Saviour, for to give repentance to Israel, and forgiveness of sins.

Acts 5:29-31

- Regret ----- Genesis 6:6
- Eyes -----2 Samuel 24:16
- Past -----Acts 3:19
- Ears -----Jeremiah 26:3
- Nag -----Exodus 32:9-14
- Talk -----1 John 1:9
- Activity -----Matthew 27:3-4
- Name -----2 Chronicles 7:14
- Conflict -----Matthew 21:29

Everyday ----Psalms 51:1-10

Repentance is feeling bad for our mistakes that eventually cause us to do wrong. God, in His love and mercy, made the way through the sacrifice of His only Son, became the atonement for our sins. Repentance is open to all human beings that are willing to repent of their sins. God Himself repented because of how human beings treated one another after He created them.

There are many ways to sin but only one way to be redeemed from it: repentance. *Our eyes*. We have to be careful with our view of what we see. What we watch, read, or even consider to judge such as others.

*Our past.* We have to avoid allowing former ways of living to default us into the wrong attitude.

*Our ears*. Carnal sounds from television, social media outlets, gossip, profanity, we have to caution ourselves in what we hear and pay close attention.

*Annoyance*. Irritating someone to the point of hurting others emotionally.

*Verbal conduct* such as violent arguments, abusive speech, criticism of others, or any expression to disgrace others.

Actively or knowingly taking part in any conspiracy to disgrace someone else. We must avoid indulging in such practices. *Conflict* with others that are insignificant. All these examples require true repentance. Repentance precedes forgiveness. As a believer, we should have a repenting heart towards God daily. We can never be too sure about any area in our lives. *Repentance rectifies the wrong actions to the right and brings forth deliverance that changes things.*