"REPENTANCE"

WHAT IS REPENTANCE

- 1. **Not Godly Sorrow:** "For godly sorrow worketh repentance unto salvation, (II Corinthians 7:10).
- 2. **Not Reformation:** "Bring forth therefore fruits worthy of repentance." (Matthew 3:8).
- 3. <u>IT IS CHANGE OF WILL:</u> "But what think ye? A man had two sons; and he came to the first, and said, son, go work today in the vineyard. And he answered and said, I will not: but afterward he repented himself, and went. (Matthew 21:28-29).

Motives To Repentance

- 1. **Fear of Judgment:** "But now he commandeth men that they should all everywhere repent: inasmuch as he hath appointed a day in which he will judge the world in righteousness." (Acts 17:30-31).
- 2. <u>Goodness of God:</u> "Not knowing that the goodness of God leadeth thee to repentance/" (Romans 2:4).
- 3. <u>Godly Sorrow:</u> "For godly sorrow worketh repentance unto salvation." (II Corinthians 7:10)

IT IS A COMMAND

"The times of ignorance therefore God overlooked; but now he commandeth men men that they should all everywhere repent:" (Acts 17:30).

"I tell you, Nay: but except ye repent, ye shall all in like manner perish." (Luke 13:3).

God Given Opportunity

"But forget not this one thing, beloved, that one day is with the Lord as a thousand years, and a thousand years as one day. The Lord is not slack concerning his promise, as some count slackness; but is longsuffering to you-ward, not wishing that any should perish, but that all should come to repentance." (II Peter 3;8-9).

CONTAINS A BLESSING

- 1. "And Peter said unto them, Repent ye, and be baptized everyone of you in the name of Jesus Christ unto the remission of your sins; and ye shall receive the gift of the Holy Spirit." (Acts 2:38).
- 2. "Repent ye therefore, and turn again, that your sins may be blotted out, that so there may come seasons of refreshing from the presence of the Lord;" (Acts 3:19).
- 3. "If we confess our sins, he is faithful and righteous to forgive us our sins, and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness." (I John 1:9)
- 4. See also: (Luke 15:11-32; "The Prodigal Son".