



## ALL FALL, SOME PERISH



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**Repent/Repentance – Metanoia:** a change of mind: as it appears in one who repents of something he has done,... especially the change of mind of those who have begun to abhor their errors and misdeeds, and have determined to enter upon a better course of life, so that it embraces both a recognition of sin and sorrow for it and hearty amendment, the tokens and effects of which are good deeds. (Thayer’s Greek Lexicon)

## I) WHAT IS REPENTANCE?

### A. It Is Not:

- 1) The Emotion of Sorrow Alone (2 Cor. 7:9-10)
  - a. Sorrow :
    - One may feel sorry for being intoxicated again
    - Did Judas repent(Mat. 27:3-5)?
- 2) The Change of Habit Alone (Mat. 3:7-8, 12; 2 Cor. 7:9-10)
  - a. Sorrow:
    - Alcoholic may stop drinking for health
    - Liar stops lying for spouse
    - Thief stops stealing out of fear of prison

## I) WHAT IS REPENTANCE?

### B. It Is:

- 1) A Change of Your Mind (2 Cor. 7:9-10; Mat. 21:28-32)
  - a. Godly Sorrow :
    - Recognition of open rebellion towards God
    - Abhorrence of error in your life
    - Determination to change
- 2) Example Shown in Prodigal Son (Lk. 15:11-32)

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### C. True Repentance Bears Fruits:

- 1) A Change of Your Heart (Acts 16:30-33)
  - a. “washed their stripes,” “brought them into his house,” “set food before them”
- 2) A Change of Your Habits (Acts 19:18-19)
  - a. “Who had practiced magic brought their books... and burned them...”
  - b. Music-movies-entertainment, Any spiritual roadblock, Anything you place above God

## 1) WHAT IS REPENTANCE?

### C. True Repentance Bears Fruits:

- 3) A Change of Your Obedience (1 Ths. 1:8-10)
  - a. "how you turned to God from idols..."
  - b. Once the truth has been understood it is time to turn from:
    - man-made religions
    - man-made salvation
    - man-made worship

## 2) HOW DO WE REPENT?

### A. Obeying God & His Word (Acts 3:19; 2:38)

- 1) "Repent therefore and be converted..."
- 2) "Repent, and let every one of you be baptized..."
- 3) But How?
  - a. Recognize Sin in Your Life
  - b. Abhor Sin in Your Life
  - c. Determine to Change The Sinful Actions in Your Life



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