

Lives Being Restored
“Build On Repentance” – 1 Peter 1:13-24
9-21-08

Vision: *“Restoring people to the Father’s heart...”*

Theme Verse: 1 Pet. 2:4-5 *...you also, like living stones, are being built into a spiritual house to be a holy priesthood, offering spiritual sacrifices acceptable to God through Jesus Christ.*

Week #1 - You are so valuable to God that He wants to restore you to His original design (blueprint). 2:4-10

- *Secure Relationship with God*
- *Significant Purpose as His child.*

Week #2 - *The trials of life help us build our foundation on Christ, not on opinion or emotion.* 1:1-12

Today’s FOCUS: *Restoration requires repentance and the demolition of sin.*

Jeremiah 15:19 *Therefore this is what the LORD says: “If you repent, I will restore you that you may serve me.*

Romans 2:4 *Or do you show contempt for the riches of his kindness, tolerance and patience, not realizing that God’s kindness leads you toward repentance?*

2 Timothy 2:25 *Those who oppose him he must gently instruct, in the hope that God will grant them repentance leading them to a knowledge of the truth.*

“Repentance” – (*Hebrew nacham*) spiritual remorse over sin in light of God’s holy love.

“Repent” - (*Greek metaneo*) to completely change your thinking about sin.

Two Kinds: 1. Initial repentance leading to salvation
2. Ongoing leading to sanctification

Working definition: A radical commitment of mind and heart to demolish sin by the power of the Holy Spirit.

Text: 1 Peter 1:13-24

A. “Therefore” 1:13 – based on vss. 1-12

1. Prepare your minds for action – make sure your beliefs are firm. 1:14
 - a. Satan will fight your restoration and God’s glory – 5:8-10
2. Be self-controlled – disciplined to act on what you believe. 4:7
3. Do not “conform” – stuck in sin’s destruction. 1:14; Rom. 12:1-2
 - a. To “evil desires” - sin nature
 - b. Out of “ignorance” – lack of knowledge of the truth.
 - * These produce an “empty way of life” 1:18
4. Be “holy” – set apart; sanctified for the valuable purposes of God.
 - a. Live out of your new identity – chosen, royal, holy nation. 2:9
 - b. God himself has declared it so by His Word. 1:23-24

Action Points:

Ask the Master Craftsman to assess the damage sin has caused in the restoration process of your life.

REPENT: Make a radical commitment of heart and mind to the demolition of sin and brokenness by the power of the Holy Spirit within you.