

# DEFINING “REPENT”:

- *“to feel sorry, self-reproachful, or contrite for past conduct; regret or be conscience-stricken about a past action, attitude, etc.”  
(dictionary.com)*
- *”to be very sorry for something bad you have done in the past and wish that you had not done it”  
(dictionary.Cambridge.org)*
- *“to turn from sin and dedicate oneself to the amendment of one’s life”  
(merriam-webster.com)*

WHAT IS



REPENTANCE?

HAVE I  
REPENTED?

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Acts 26:19-20

# REPENTANCE

## WHAT IT IS NOT

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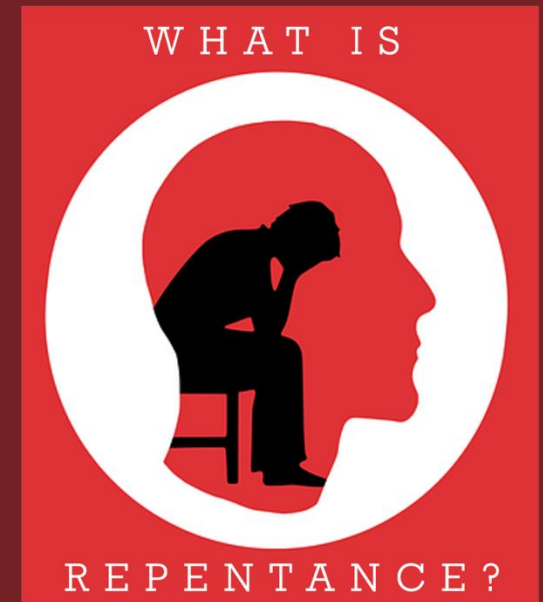
- (Bargaining/negotiating) confession
- A quick apology
- An apology for future sins
- Simply feeling bad





- ❖ This begins with godly sorrow.  
(2 Cor. 7:8-11)
- ❖ Which necessitates bearing fruit.  
(Lk. 3:7-14)

**James 4:7** Submit therefore to God. Resist the devil and he will flee from you. <sup>8</sup> Draw near to God and He will draw near to you. Cleanse your hands, you sinners; and purify your hearts, you double-minded.



# WHAT DOES THIS LOOK LIKE?

*Ceasing sin, fleeing from temptation – doing what God wants and giving self to it!*

- GOSSIP: **Stops** slandering and **starts** building up
- PORN ADDICT: **Stops** viewing what even leads him to it and **starts** relentlessly staring at heavenly things
- ALCOHOLIC: **Stops** buying and going near alcohol and **starts** “getting drunk” on the spirit (The Word)
- IDLE CHRISTIAN: **Stops** easing into inactivity and **starts** looking for opportunities to serve

