

Repent!

Matthew 3:1-2

Repent- *metanoeo*; [met-an-o-eh'-o]; from "Meta"- After and "Noeo"- to think. That is to think differently afterwards, i.e. reconsider (morally, feel, **compunction**- which is anxiety arising from awareness of guilt * b: distress of mind over an anticipated action or result. **Repentance is a decision that results in a change of mind, which in turn leads to a change of purpose, direction and action.**

- **The message of "the Kingdom"**- The first call of the Kingdom is Repentance
- **The Kingdom is God's domain or God's way of doing things - words, will, ways of doing and saying things.**
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Threefold Biblical Repentance:

1. Renunciation & Reversal
2. Submission & Teachability
3. Continual Shapeability

- There is no birth into the "Kingdom of God" without hearing the call to Salvation, renouncing one's sin, and turning from sin toward Christ as Savior. *Acts 3:17-22*
- There is no growth in the "Kingdom of God" without obedience to Jesus' commandments and a childlike responsiveness as a disciple of Jesus, Yielding to the teaching of God's Word. *James 1:21-25*
- There is no fruit in the "Kingdom of God" without a willingness to accept the Holy Spirit's correction and guidance. *Eph. 4:29-32(*30)*

Repentance should produce:

1. A Change of Mind
2. A Change of Heart
3. A Change of Direction