

Deuteronomy Chapter 30:1-20 Repentance And Restoration

PRINCIPLES AND PRACTICAL APPLICATION

In chapter 29 it is obvious that Moses is not optimistic about the nations future. They will be dispersed, the first major dispersion came about in 722 BC at the hands of the Assyrians against the ten northern tribes. In 586 BC Jerusalem fell and the people were carted off by the Babylonians, and then further dispersed by the Romans in AD 70.

Restoration will not take place until the Second Advent of the Messiah at the beginning of the Millennial Kingdom reign. Jesus spoke of this regathering in [Matthew 24:29-31](#); [Mark 13:24-27](#).

The Lord's purposes and will for His people is not too hard to understand. Paul spoke of this accessibility in [Romans 10:6-8](#), its right there in your mouth, it just has to come out by God's grace through genuine faith. They are compelled to CHOOSE LIFE!

Moses never taught that Israel was justified by obeying the Law. However, full enjoyment of life would depend on their obeying God's Word. Though no one could be justified by the Law, obedient Israelites could be blessed under the Law. Remember, Abraham believed and it was accounted to him for righteousness. ([Genesis 15:6](#))

APPLICATION:

Today's message has been about **repentance** and **restoration**. If a believer finds that they have drifted away from the Lord and that they do not have the joy they once had; they are invited by the grace of God to come to Him and by confession of sin and repentance be restored into fellowship with Him. To repent is "to have a change of mind" about a said thing. By this, one agrees with God about it. A "metonymy" often used is that "one turns away from sin". True biblical repentance always results in a change of behavior, it may not be instantly, but inevitably and progressively.