



“My prayer is not for them alone. I pray also for those who will believe in me through their message, that all of them may be one, Father, just as you are in me and I am in you. May they also be in us so that the world may believe that you have sent me. I have given them the glory that you gave me, that they may be one as we are one—I in them and you in me—so that they may be brought to complete unity. Then the world will know that you sent me and **have loved them even as you have loved me.**

John 17:20-23

Prayer of Repentance

Repent (Greek: metanoeō) means to have a “change of mind” that results in a “turning **away** from sin” and a “turning **toward** God”. It involves acknowledging one’s sinfulness, experiencing a deep, godly sorrow for having offended God, and then demonstrating this inward change through actions and a new way of life.

Sin Breaks God's Heart

Ezekiel 16:8-34

I gave you my solemn oath and entered into a covenant with you, declares the Sovereign Lord, and you became mine. "I bathed you with water and washed the blood from you and put ointments on you. I clothed you with an embroidered dress and put sandals of fine leather on you. I dressed you in fine linen and covered you with costly garments. I adorned you with jewelry: I put bracelets on your arms and a necklace around your neck, and I put a ring on your nose, earrings on your ears and a beautiful crown on your head. So you were adorned with gold and silver; your clothes were of fine linen and costly fabric and embroidered cloth. Your food.....

was honey, olive oil and the finest flour. You became very beautiful and rose to be a queen. And your fame spread among the nations on account of your beauty, because the splendor I had given you made your beauty perfect, declares the Sovereign Lord. “But you trusted in your beauty and used your fame to become a prostitute. You lavished your favors on anyone who passed by and your beauty became his.

“You adulterous wife! You prefer strangers to your own husband!

Ezekiel 16:8-34

An Acceptable Apology:

Run to Him - Now

“**Even now,**” declares the Lord, “**return** to me with **all your heart,** with **fasting** and **weeping** and **mourning.**” **Rend your heart and not your garments.** Return to the Lord your God, for he is gracious and compassionate, **slow** to anger and **abounding** in love, and he relents from sending calamity.

Joel 2:12-13

The Lord is near to all who call on him,
to all who call on him in truth.

Psalm 145:18

Own it

For I know my transgressions, and my sin is always before me.
Against you, you only, **have I sinned** and **done what is evil** in your
sight so you are in your verdict and justified when you judge.

Psalm 51:3-4

My sacrifice, O God, is a broken spirit; a broken and contrite heart
you, God, will not despise.

Psalm 51:17

In the year that King Uzziah died, I saw the Lord, high and exalted, seated on a throne; and the train of his robe filled the temple. “Woe to me!” I cried. “I am ruined! For I am a man of unclean lips, and I live among a people of unclean lips, and my eyes have seen the King, the Lord Almighty.”

Isaiah 6:1-5

Ask for forgiveness & cleansing

Cleanse me with hyssop, and I will be clean; wash me, and I will be whiter than snow. Let me hear joy and gladness; let the bones you have crushed rejoice. Hide your face from my sins and blot out all my iniquity. Create in me a pure heart, O God, and renew a steadfast spirit within me. Do not cast me from your presence or take your Holy Spirit from me.

Psalm 51:7-11

Ask for restoration

Restore to me the joy of your salvation and grant me a willing spirit, to sustain me.

Psalm 51:12

The Lord is close to the brokenhearted and saves those who are crushed in spirit.

Psalm 34:18

He heals the brokenhearted and binds up their wounds.

Psalm 147:3

