

GODLY SORROW

- I. Two types of sorrow one can experience.
 - A. One type leads to a more Godly life.
 - B. One leads to spiritual death due to rejection of God's way.
- II. Sorrow that leads to spiritual destruction.
 - A. When a sin is committed one is sorry but refuses to repent.
 - B. The sorrow causes sinner to harden heart rather than obey God.
 - C. The Rich Young Ruler went away sorry but did not change. Mt 19:22
 - D. Judas was sorry for betraying Christ but killed himself. Mt 27:5
 - E. This sorrow did not produce the results of repentance.
 - F. This sorrow leads to death. II Cor 7:10
- III. Godly Sorrow.
 - A. The opposite of sorrow that leads to spiritual death.
 - B. Sorrow that motivates one to repent and live for God.
 - C. Sorrow brings about good results and in the end happiness.
 - D. The Corinthians had Godly sorrow. II Cor 7:8-11
 - E. Peter denied Christ but was sorry and changed his life.
 - F. Thief on cross was sorry and acknowledged Christ.
- IV. The Godly Sorrow of the Corinthians.
 - A. Corinth had sinned as noted in I Corinthians.
 - B. Paul had written them a very stern letter.
 - C. It made them sorry.
 - D. They repented. II Cor 7:9-10
 - E. This repentance led to salvation. II Cor 7:10
- V. The Results of Godly Sorrow.
 - A. Repentance. II Cor 7:10
 - B. Carefulness not to sin again. II Cor 7:11
 - C. Clearing of themselves of sin by repenting and changing. 7:11
 - D. Indignation against sin. 7:11
 - E. Fear and reverence of God. 7:11
 - F. Desire to do right. 7:11
 - G. Zeal for God's cause. 7:11
 - H. Revenging or turning against sin and false teachers. 7:11
 - I. Joy after sin has been removed.
 - J. Love and more appreciation for the body of Christ.
 - K. More appreciation for those who noticed the sin.
 - L. Happiness that the guilt has been removed.
 - M. A closer walk to God.
- VI. Results of Worldly Sorrow.
 - A. Hard heartedness.
 - B. Anger at God's word which convicts us.
 - C. Anger at our brothers who caught us in the sin.
 - D. Self-justification.
 - E. Excuses for the sin we are guilty of.
 - F. Blame of others for our own sins and problems.
 - G. Wresting the scriptures to try to prove ourselves right.
 - H. Childish like attitude.
 - I. Defiance or depression.
 - J. Loss of our soul because we refuse to repent.