



“THE JOY OF REPENTANCE”

2 Corinthians 7:2-16

What do the following have in common?

- Saint Augustine’s prayer
- Eagle on ice
- Etch-a-Sketch

1. PAUL’S JOY. *v. 2-9a, 12-16*

- Something has happened in the Corinthian church!
 - What is it? _____
 - The prideful people
 - The sinning man
- The letter hurt, but it led to “godly sorrow,” which led to repentance.

2. THE CORINTHIANS’ REPENTANCE. *v. 9a-11*

- Earnestness
- Eagerness to clear selves
- Indignation
- Alarm
- Longing
- Concern
- Readiness to see justice done

Repentance = (“metanoeo”) The changing of one’s mind and going in a different direction.

The joy of repentance is the joy of:

- Reconciliation
- Doing the right thing
- Freedom
- Renewal

Are you involved with sin that is weighing you down and stealing your joy?

Have you learned the futility of “worldly sorrow?”

Are you willing to humbly let the Spirit of God bring “godly sorrow,” leading to true repentance?