NEW HOPE COMMUNITY CHURCH L.I.F.E Bible Study Topical Study: TRUE REPENTANCE (2 Cor.7:9-11)

I. WHAT is GODLY SORROW?

(Matt. 26:71-75)

A. What was the difference between Peter's **DENIAL** and Judas' **BETRAYAL**?

(Matt.27:3-5; John 21:7-21;1Pet.1:2-9)

- B. **REPEANTANCE** is an **ESSENTIAL** part of the **GOSPEL**. (Matt.3:2; 4:17; Acts 2:38)
- C. "SPEAKING the TRUTH in LOVE will lead to REPENTANCE." (Eph. 4:14-16;2 Cor. 7:10a)

II. "REAL (True) REPENTANCE ACTS!"

- A. The ACTIONS of REPENTANCE presents A CHANGE of MIND that leads to A CHANGE of DIRECTION. (LK.15:17-24)
- B. The ACTION of TRUE REPENTANCE may OFFEND others, don't ENTERTAIN it because GOD'S GOT IT. (Lk. 15:25-32)
- III. GODLY SORROW produces and REPENTANCE is REVEALED in our ATTITUDE. (vs 11)
 - A. **<u>DILIGENCE</u>** (carefulness)- it takes **DILIGENCE** to **TURN AROUND**. (Heb.11:6)
 - B. <u>CLEARING</u>- a CLEARING of GUILT and SHAME to RESTORE the TRUST and CONFIDENCE of others. (Gal. 6:1-5)
 - C. <u>INDIGNATION</u>- is the ATTITUDE that makes **REPENTANCE** last due to the **DISPLEASURE** and **SHAME** brought on the **LORD'S NAME** and His people. (Lk 15:18)
 - D. <u>FEAR</u>- is a **RESPECT** not to continuously **FALL** into the **SAME SIN AGAIN** due to the **REVERENCE** toward **GOD.** (Heb. 12:28,29)
 - E. <u>VEHEMENT DESIRE</u>- is a LONGING of the HEART that really DESIRES a RESTORED RELATIONSHIP with the ONE that's SINNED against. (Ps.42:1)
 - F. **<u>ZEAL</u>** to **LOVE** with a **HEATED PASSION** towards **GOD** and **HIS RIGHTEOUSNESS**.
 - G. <u>REVENGE</u> (Vindication)- is a **DESIRE** to see **COMMITTED SIN AVENGED**.