

A Time For Renewal

Spring is a beautiful time for renewal. As the earth is rejuvenating itself, it may be time for you to consider the same. Romans 12:1-2 says, *"And be not conformed to this world: but be ye transformed by the renewing of your mind, that ye may prove what is that good, and acceptable, and perfect, will of God."* Although the renewal the earth is going through now is physical, the most important renewal one can go through is spiritual.

Some would believe that renewal is a nebulous or ethereal process with no definitive steps. But the need for renewal presupposes a condition of sin, which we all have (Romans 3:23). If you need to be renewed from sin, you must have faith in the Bible as God's word and believe that God exists (Hebrews 11:6). You must also repent of your sins (Acts 17:30). Furthermore, you must confess Jesus as the Son of God before men (Matthew 10:32). Finally, you must be immersed in water for the remission of your sins (Acts 2:38). At that point, you will be saved and a members of the Lord's church (Acts 2:47).

If you are out there and have obeyed the gospel in the past but have fallen away, you need to repent in the same manner as Simon in Acts 8:22. Come back to the Lord and His faithful service. Worship with the saints and build yourself up in the most holy faith (Hebrews 10:24-25; Jude 20). Paul wrote, *"For which cause we faint not; but though our outward man perish, yet the inward man is renewed day by day"* (2 Corinthians 4:16). Contact us if you would like further study.

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