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2 Corinthians 7:11-16

**Title: Results of Godly sorrow +
repentance**

Remember that Paul wrote a severe letter — one that produced a positive response from his readers.

**Remember that Godly sorrow is very
different than the sorrow of the world.**

**The sorrow of the world produces
death.**

Paul recognized several positive aspects that had come from the Godly sorrow that his readers had as a result of his letter (2 Corinthians 7:11).

Earnestness — diligence and eagerness.

**Readers found them motivated to be
more serious in acknowledging their sin.**

Psalm 139:19-24

**Vindication of [themselves] — cleared of
blame or guilt.**

Psalm 32:1-5; 1 John 2:1-2

**Indignation — righteous anger, in
context.**

Matthew 12:33-37, Matthew 21:12-15

**Fear — every believer acknowledges of
God's power and might.**

2 Corinthians 7:1-2; Luke 12:1-5

**God was the lifelong subject of awe for
Jacob: Genesis 31:33-42**

Longing — could be translated yearning. The repentant believer desires to restore their relationship with God.

Psalm 42:1-5; Psalm 51:1-9

Zeal — this refers to a desire to make things right, driven by love in this case.

John 2:13-17

**Avenging of wrong — this is in response
to their own wrong. The repentant
believer wants sin judged rightly.**

2 Corinthians 2:5-7

Repentance brought about several other factors in the lives of Paul's readers that we should also recognize in our own.

Zeal, longing, fear, indignation, etc.

**Thank God for Godly sorrow, and for
that leads to life repentance, instead of
the world's kind.**

**The eighth chapter of 2 Corinthians
details the support of the saints,
financial and otherwise. We'll address
that in part next week.**