

## Episode #416 – Metanoia Means Submission

I. I believe that the word “*metanoia*” in Greek sets forth an important principle for every believer today.

II. “Repentance” is “*metanoia*.”

- A. “*Meta*” means “after.” “*Noia*” means “mind.”
- B. If I prepare to go on a picnic, but then change my mind due to bad weather, my aftermind is not the same as my foremind. But *metanoia* MEANS “to be afterminded.” In other words, to make up my mind what I will do in advance.
- C. If I make up my mind NOW, and will not change it AFTER, I have the aftermind.
- D. The marriage vow is claiming to have the aftermind. However, if I don’t keep the promise, I prove my foremind and aftermind were different, I did not really have the aftermind.

III. John’s baptism was a promise.

- A. If you claim to be afterminded, you are making a promise.
- B. God had many changes in mind for these people, and He wanted them ready to listen to Him now.
- C. Some did not keep the promise, like Judas. Some did. Luke 7:29-30.

IV. Some afterminded people in the Bible.

- A. Ruth. Ruth 1:16-17.
- B. Job. Job 2:10, Job 13:15.
- C. Ezekiel. Ezekiel 24:15-27.

V. To have the aftermind, *metanoia*, means to be submissive.

VI. Having the *metanoia* is crucial in Bible study, and in serving God.

- A. When we study the Bible, we will only believe it if we read it with the *metanoia*.
- B. Only a person with *metanoia* will serve God as God wants

VII. Do we have the aftermind as we come before God? Are we willing to submit to His will and His truth, no matter what it is? Are we people with the *metanoia*?