

Nine-Step Program for Reversion Recovery

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A Bible-quoting contest in Alabama ended badly when the loser shot and killed the winner. We had not known there were so many deconstructionists in Alabama.

The Nine-Step Program for Reversion Recovery*metanoeo*

To change one's mind for the better. To admit wrongdoing to oneself. Unfortunately translated in English Bibles by the word “repent.”

2 Corinthians 12:21 - ... I may mourn over many of those who have sinned in the past and not repented of the impurity, immorality, and sensuality which they have practiced.

homologeō

To confess the wrongdoing in a legal sense to one who is authorized to judge the case. Recovery from sin therefore can only be accomplished by confession alone to God alone.

1 John 1:9 - If we confess our sins, He is faithful and righteous to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

plerōō

To be filled. Confession results in the filling of the Holy Spirit and restoration of fellowship with God.

Ephesians 5:18b - ... be filled with the Holy Spirit.

didaktos

To be taught. The Holy Spirit teaches divine truth to the human spirit of the believer enabling him to achieve academic understanding.

1 Corinthians 2:13 - ... we speak not in words taught by human wisdom, but in those taught by the Holy Spirit, combining spiritual truth with a spiritual system.

gnōsis

Academic understanding enables the believer to consider divine truth objectively. If he perceives the information then the teaching process has accomplished its first objective.

Ephesians 3:19

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epignosis

Divine truth metabolized into the stream of consciousness. The Holy Spirit places the information into a long-term memory trace in the brain's cerebral cortex.

1 Timothy 2:4 - God desires all men to be saved and to come to the knowledge of the truth.

hupomimnesko

To recall to mind. The Holy Spirit recalls the memory trace into the conscious mind for consideration by the soul's volition in problem-solving and decision-making.

John 14:26 - The Holy Spirit, Whom the Father will send in My name, He will teach you [*didasko*] all things, and bring to your remembrance all that I said to you.

katergazomai

Production of divine good under the enabling power of the Holy Spirit. Divine good can be any thought, decision, or action which is energized by the Holy Spirit utilizing divine truth for guidance and leadership.

Romans 7:18 - I know that in me (that is, in my flesh) there does not reside any good of intrinsic value, for the desire to do the will of God is present in me but the divine-good production of my desire is not.

mistheo

Rewards in both time and eternity for faithfully fulfilling this system for executing the Christian way of life.

1 Corinthians 3:14 - If any man's work which he has built upon it [the foundation of Jesus Christ (1 Corinthians 3:11)] remains, he shall receive a reward.

Next in our verse we have the interrogative pronoun, *tis*, which is the subject; translated "who." Then comes the verb, the future active indicative of: *rhuomai* - Lit: To drag someone out of danger who is in a helpless and hopeless situation. The best one-word translation of this would be "rescue."