



SAVED!

A STUDY OF NEW
TESTAMENT CONVERSIONS
Week 8

Prerequisites to Salvation

1. Belief in God
2. Belief that the Bible is the Word of God
3. Recognition of violating God's Laws found in His Word
(recognition of sin)

Mark 15:15-16

And He said to them, “Go into all the world and preach the gospel to all creation. He who has believed and has been baptized shall be saved; but he who has disbelieved shall be condemned.

and preach the gospel to all creation

What is the Gospel?

Acts 2: 1-47

Background information

Matthew 26: 1-2

When Jesus had finished all these words, He said to His disciples, “You know that after two days the Passover is coming, and the Son of Man is to be handed over for crucifixion.

Question

During what Jewish festival was Jesus Crucified?

Passover

What is Passover?

Exodus 12:11-13

it is the Lord's Passover. For I will go through the land of Egypt on that night, and will strike down all the firstborn in the land of Egypt, both man and beast; and against all the gods of Egypt I will execute judgments—I am the Lord.

Exodus 12:11-13

The blood shall be a sign for you on the houses where you live; and when I see the blood I will pass over you, and no plague will befall you to destroy you when I strike the land of Egypt.

Question

Who was the primary group of people in the audience when Peter delivered the Gospel?

Acts 2:5

Now there were staying in Jerusalem God-fearing Jews from every nation under heaven.

Question

Why were there so many Jews in Jerusalem?

They were there celebrating Passover

Question

Acts 2:36

“Therefore let all Israel be assured of this: God has made this Jesus, whom you crucified, both Lord and Messiah.”

How did everyone in the crowd crucify Jesus?

Question

Acts 2:36

The crowd believed in God, Believed the Bible was the Word of God and believed in God's laws, so they met all the prerequisites. What does Peter say is the next steps in the salvation process?

Salvation

1. Belief in God
2. Belief that the Bible is the Word of God
3. Recognition of violating God's Laws found in His Word (recognition of sin)
4. Belief that Jesus is both Lord and Messiah
5. Belief that Jesus was crucified for our sins (We crucified Jesus)

Acts 2:37

When the people heard this, they were cut to the heart and said to Peter and the other apostles, “Brothers, what shall we do?”

What is this describing?

This is evidence that they understand Jesus' sacrifice for their sins and that their sins put him on the cross and they want to make Jesus Lord and Savior!

Acts 2:38

Peter replied, “Repent and be baptized, every one of you, in the name of Jesus Christ for the forgiveness of your sins. And you will receive the gift of the Holy Spirit. The promise is for you and your children and for all who are far off—for all whom the Lord our God will call.”

Question

What are the next steps in the salvation process?

Repentance

Baptism

What is repentance?

Repentance

Common Definitions

Repentance:

(1) “to feel sorry, self reproachful, or contrite for past conduct; regret or be conscience stricken about past action, attitude, etc.”

(2) “to feel such sorrow for sin or fault as to be disposed to change one’s life for the better; to be penitent”

Repentance

OT Hebrew

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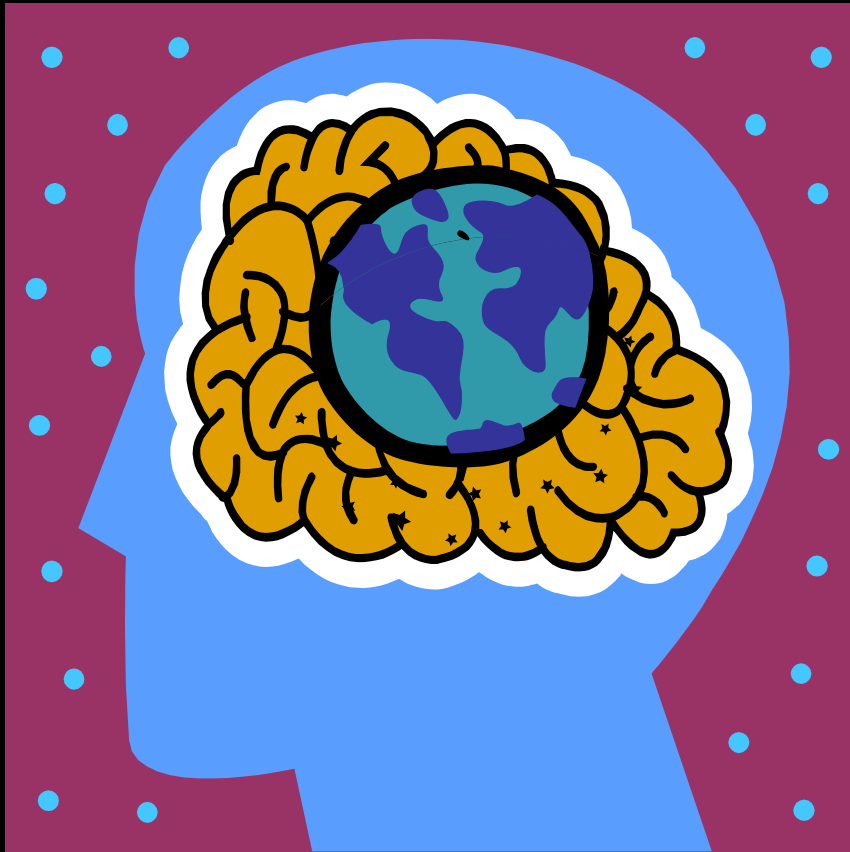
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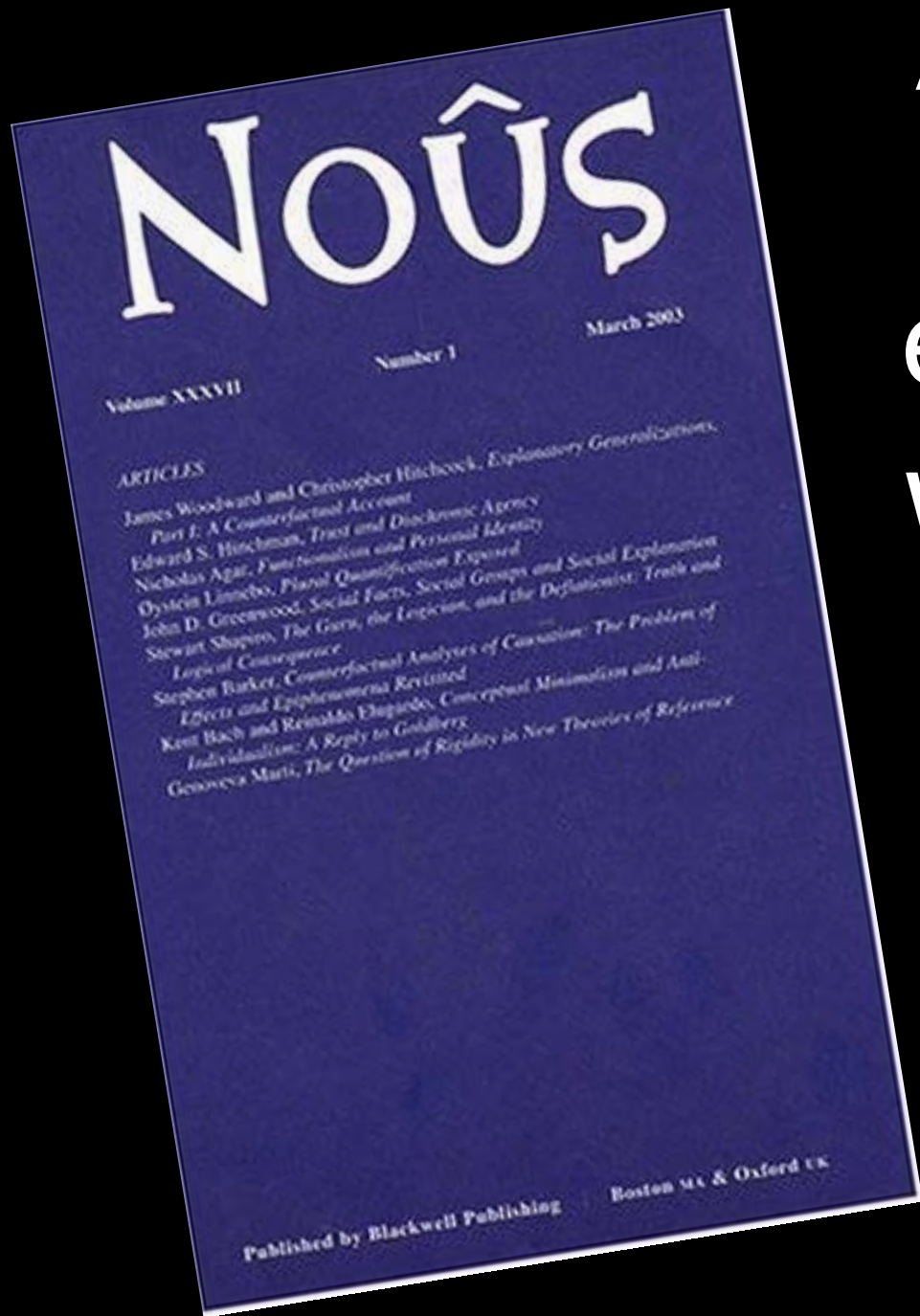
"grieve"

NT Greek - Metanoia

“-Noia” = Mindset



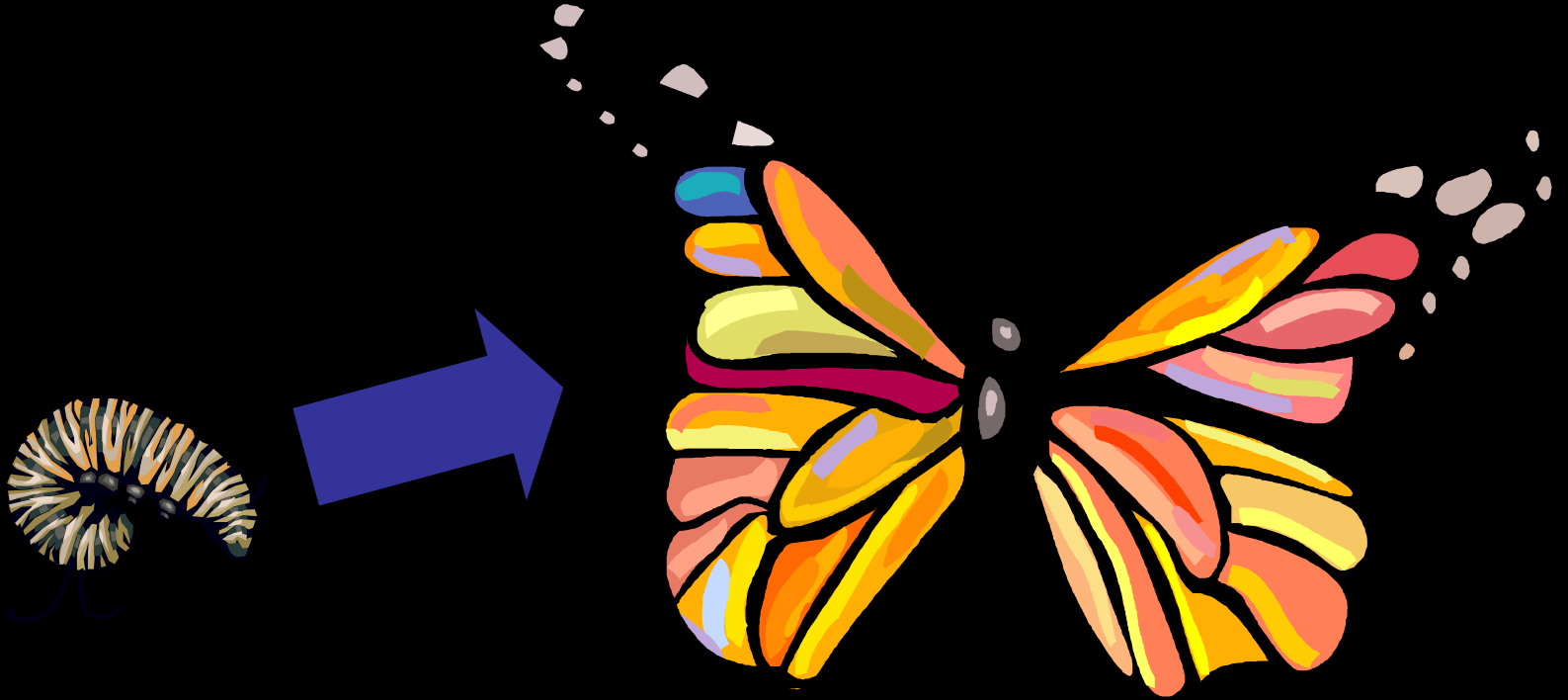
- *Nous* = Mind or Mindset
- Worldview or a Kingdomview
- How You Make Sense of the World
- Your Philosophy of Life
- The Rules by which you play the game of life



A Leading Journal
of Philosophy
employs the Greek
Word *Nous* for its
Title

“*Meta-*” = Change

Meta-morphosis = transformation

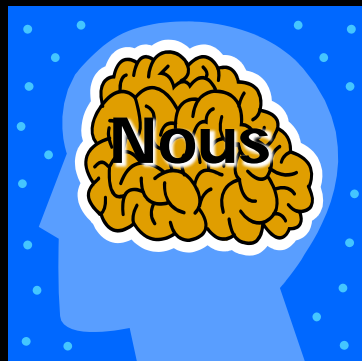


- Meta = “After” to focus on the future rather than on the past

“MetaNoia” (μετανοια)



“Before”



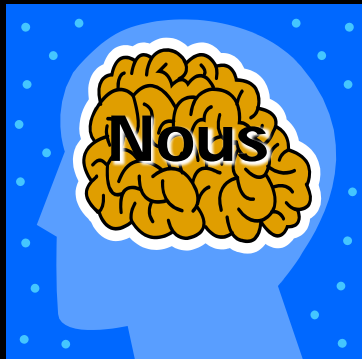
“After”



“MetaNoia” (μετανοια)

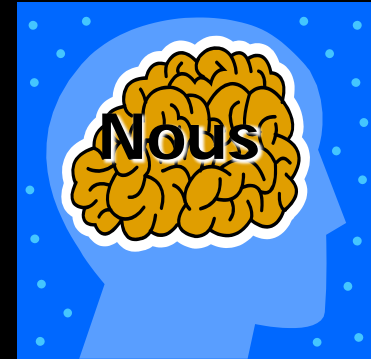
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“Before”



- “I am Lord”
- Unbelief
- Worldview
- Futile Mind
- Individualism-Desire to follow own laws

“After”



- “Jesus is Lord!”
- Belief
- Kingdomview
- Renewed Mind
- Desire to Follow God’s Laws

“*MetaNoia*” (μετανοια)

- Change Your Mindset
- Change Your entire Philosophy of Life
- Change All the Rules by which You play the game of Life
- Rearrange all your affections, ambitions, agenda and allegiances
- Change your Worldview (actually change your Worldview to a Kingdomview)



- **Luke 15:17** "He came to his senses"
- **Luke 24:45** "He opened their minds"
- **Acts 26:18** "Open their eyes and turn them from darkness to light"
- **Romans 12:2** "Be transformed by the renewing of your mind"
- **Ephesians 4:22-24** "put off your old self,... to be renewed in the attitude of your mind; and to put on the new self"
- **Colossians 3:2** "Set your mind on things that are above, not on things that are on earth."
- **1 Peter 2:24** "cease from sinning and live for righteousness."
- **2 Corinthians 5:15** "no longer live for self but for Him"

Repentance is The Response to the Gospel
Matthew 3:7-8 But when he saw many of the Pharisees and Sadducees coming for baptism, he said to them, “You brood of vipers! Who warned you to flee from the wrath to come? Bear fruit in keeping with repentance.”

Matthew 11:20 Then he began to denounce the cities where most of his mighty works had been done, because they did not repent.

Mark 6:12 So they went out and proclaimed that people should repent.

Luke 13:3 No, I tell you; but unless you repent, you will all likewise perish.

Luke 15:7 Just so, I tell you, there will be more joy in heaven over one sinner who repents than over ninety-nine righteous persons who need no repentance.

Luke 24:47 and that repentance and forgiveness of sins should be proclaimed in his name to all nations, beginning from Jerusalem.

Act 2:38 And Peter said to them, "Repent and be baptized every one of you in the name of Jesus Christ for the forgiveness of your sins, and you will receive the gift of the Holy Spirit.

Act 17:30 The times of ignorance God overlooked, but now he commands all people everywhere to repent

Act 20:21 testifying both to Jews and to Greeks of repentance toward God and of faith in our Lord Jesus Christ

Act 26:19-20 "Therefore, O King Agrippa, I was not disobedient to the heavenly vision, but declared first to those in Damascus, then in Jerusalem and throughout all the region of Judea, and also to the Gentiles, that they should repent and turn to God, performing deeds in keeping with their repentance

Rev 3:19 Those whom I love, I reprove and discipline, so be zealous and repent.

Metanoia Does NOT Equal Sorrow

2 Corinthians 7:10 *“Godly sorrow brings repentance that leads to salvation, but worldly sorrow brings death.”*

Godly sorrow leads to repentance but is not repentance itself. Worldly sorrow undermines repentance, but it is most often confused with repentance (penitencia).

Metanoia Does NOT Equal Sorrow

Signs of Worldly sorrow

- Excuse Making
- Self Pity
- Selectivity
- Damage Control
- Transforming the Word of God to align with your lifestyle and not transforming your lifestyle to align with the Word of God

Whatever Happened
to REPENTANCE?

- Precious little preaching is even less evidence in today's evangelical church where we are seeing forgiveness without Repentance preached; Jesus is Savior but not Lord
- This is evident in the scandals that grips evangelical Christianity... it's not among "Televangelists" but among the entire body of members.
- This is evident in Churches changing their views on Biblical sins to avoid persecution or out of fear of being called intolerant.

Repentance

A turning away from sin and a
turning to God!

Making Jesus both Savior and
LORD!

Becoming a **Were!**

1 Corinthians 6:11

Such were some of you; but you were washed, but you were sanctified, but you were justified in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ and in the Spirit of our God.

Salvation!!!

Question

If you have repented,
is it possible to sin?

Repentance results in a desire to change and to strive not to sin, but it does not mean you will not sin. Someone who has repented will develop a Godly sorrow when they do sin and will work with the help of the Holy Spirit to change. This is the process of Sanctification.

Next week we will study the
next step in the salvation
process- Baptism.

We will also begin taking a
close look at more
conversions in the New
Testament!