**Become New  
2 Cor. 5:11-17**

What is important to know about this passage?

1st It is at the core of true repentance

2nd Repentance will do two things

* Bring you into a relationship with Christ
* Cause you to make changes in your life

*“If anyone is in Christ”*

To be in Christ meant: A close, intimate, real, honest, and complete relationship with Him

*“A new creation”*

New in quality; a different nature; creation

Creation – the creative act of God at salvation

Two different changes will result from this total overhaul of your inner being.

1. The old has gone
   1. To perish
   2. To pass away
   3. To pass by
   4. Has come to an end
2. The new has come (are become or come into being)
   1. Have become new
   2. Fresh

The new has superiority over the old. (Key point)

So, how does this work?

1st Decide to let Christ bring about a new you, new change in your inner being

2nd Once that change takes place, begin to walk in His grace and watch the changes slowly take place