

GOD TAKES THE INITIATIVE IN HUMAN REPENTANCE

PROPHETS

I have surely heard Ephraim bemoaning himself: 'You have chastised me, and I was chastised, Like an untrained bull; Restore me, and I will return, For You are the LORD my God. (Je.31:18)

Turn us back to You, O LORD, and we will be restored; Renew our days as of old (Lm.5:21)

JESUS

No one can come to Me unless the Father who sent Me draws him; and I will raise him up at the last day. (Jn.6:44)

And He said, "Therefore I have said to you that no one can come to Me unless it has been granted to him by My Father." (Jn.6:65)

ACTS

When they heard these things they became silent; and they glorified God, saying, "Then God has also granted to the Gentiles repentance to life." (Ac.11:18)

testifying to Jews, and also to Greeks, repentance toward God and faith toward our Lord Jesus Christ. (Ac.20:21)

EPISTLES

in humility correcting those who are in opposition, if God perhaps will grant them repentance, so that they may know the truth (2Tm.2:25)

