Conversion

(Acts 3:19)

- Introduction:1. We hear a lot about change these days.
 - a. Some responsible, much irresponsible.
 - 2. In this lesson, we wish to address the meaning of biblical change.
 - 3. Biblical change (conversion) is necessary if we wish to go to Heaven (Matthew 18:3; Acts 3:19).
 - 4. Let's note four aspects and results of conversion.

I. Conversion Brings About A Change In Heart

- A. (Romans 7:18-25).
- B. The desire to sin is quelled by a desire to perform righteousness.
- C. This change of heart creates quite a warfare between the spirit and the flesh.

II. Conversion Brings About A Change In Conduct

- A. (Acts 26:20) We must bring forth fruits worthy of repentance.
- B. (1 Corinthians 6:9-11).
- C. (Romans 6:11-14).
- D. Changing our ways cannot be accomplished without first changing our hearts.

III. Conversion Brings About A Change In Relationship

- A. (Matthew 28:19).
- B. When conversion takes place, we are delivered from the kingdom of Satan into the kingdom of God (Colossians 1:13), and are no longer a child of the Devil, but a son or daughter of God.

IV. Conversion Brings About A Change In Destiny

- A. This is the reason why God encourages us to change our hearts and our conduct.
- B. Heaven and Hell hang in the balance (Revelation 20:11-15; 22:14-15).
- Conclusion: 1. If we want heaven, we must be converted inwardly as well as outwardly.
 - 2. What will your choice be?