

**The Study on the Book of Jeremiah**  
**Week #5: The Complete Step of Repentance**  
**Sunday, November 10, 2024 (PM Service)**

**1. Your **Repentance** is a Part of God's Plan**

- a. God's **disappointment** with Israel is expressed in **Vss. 19-20**, followed by Israel's apparent **repentance** (**Vss. 21-25**), and a call to true repentance together with an **explanation** of its nature (**4:1-4**).
- b. God had a right to expect a grateful people to call Him **"Father."** but Israel was like a woman who is unfaithful to her "husband."
  - i. The word used here is that of **"Friend"** or "companion."
- c. The Hebrew word "Heal" has a wide range of meaning.
  - i. It can refer to healing from **Physical** or emotional pain,
  - ii. **Repair** a physical object, or
  - iii. **Purification** of water, and it is sometimes used as the equivalent of forgiveness, as it is here.
- d. True repentance requires **Admission** of sin but more than that. There must be **Sorrow** for the sin and genuine turning away from it.
- e. If the people truly repented, they must be **broken** by their sins and **show** the fruits of repentance.
- f. The **"heart"** represents the **totality** of the inner life here, though it can also mean the **mind**, the **thoughts**, and the **will**.