

## Repentance Unfound in John: Direct Evidence

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### Introduction

#### Some Theologians Claim to Have “*Found*” Repentance in John’s Gospel

They know what Chafer observed in 1917—that John’s Gospel does not use the word *repent*

Statistics on *Pisteuō* (Believe) in John’s Gospel (100 uses in the *Majority Text*)

**John** 1:7, 12, 50; 2:11, 22, 23, 24; 3:12 [2×], 15, 16, 18 [3×], 36; 4:21, 39, 41, 42, 48, 50, 53; 5:24, 38, 44, 46 [2×], 47 [2×]; 6:29, 30, 35, 36, 40, 47, 64 [2×], 69; 7:5, 31, 38, 39, 48; 8:24, 30, 31, 45, 46; 9:18, 35, 36, 38; 10:25, 26, 37, 38 [3×\*], 42; 11:15, 25, 26 [2×], 27, 40, 42, 45, 48; 12:11, 36, 37, 38, 39, 42, 44 [2×], 46, 47\*; 13:19; 14:1 [2×], 10, 11 [2×], 12, 29; 16:9, 27, 30, 31; 17:8, 20, 21; 19:35; 20:8, 25, 29 [2×], 31 [2×]

\*Nestle-Aland substitutes another word in John 10:38c and 12:47

Statistics on *Metanoēō*/*Metanoia* (to repent/repentance) by Author

	Uses	% of total	John’s Gospel	1–3 John	Revelation
<b>Luke-Acts</b>	25	43%			
<b>John (Revelation)</b>	12	21%	0	0	12
<b>Matthew</b>	8	14%			
<b>Paul</b>	5	8%			
<b>Mark</b>	4	7%			
<b>Hebrews</b>	3	5%			
<b>Peter</b>	1	2%			

Observations on these statistics and the uniqueness of John’s Gospel

**Theologians Finding Supposed *Implicit* Uses of Repentance in John's Gospel**  
**People often *find* what they want to find**

**Do the theologians who find repentance in John really know how to identify it?**

**Repentance in the Gospels must match what Deuteronomy 30 predicted about it**

**Significance of the phrase, "Repent for the Kingdom of Heaven is at Hand"**

Kingdom of Heaven \_\_\_\_\_ Kingdom of God (Luke \_\_\_\_:\_\_\_\_-\_\_\_\_)

**Chronology: Direct Evidence for the Absence of Repentance in John's Gospel**

When did Jesus first preach, "Repent..."?

False blips on the sonar screens of some theologians

What should these false blips lead us to conclude?

**John's purpose is that people receive \_\_\_\_\_, not that \_\_\_\_\_ receives \_\_\_\_\_**

Receiving \_\_\_\_\_ is by \_\_\_\_\_

Receiving \_\_\_\_\_ is by \_\_\_\_\_