

RESTORATION 2016

ACTS 3:11-21

From Genesis to Job

- ▣ The basic concept of RESTORATION in the OT:
 - Restoring of people, property, and possessions
 - Israel, Abraham, Joseph, Nehemiah, and others
 - Meaning of RESTORATION was to turn back or make whole again, to complete

Transition through Psalms

- ▣ Psalm 51 we see the transition from a nation receiving to the RESTORATION of the relationship with the LORD – Psalm 51:12 (restore to me the joy of Your salvation...)

From Psalms through NT

- ▣ The meaning of making whole, turning back doesn't change – but the application does.
- ▣ Acts 3:19-21 shows us the application of restoration and how it differs from the OT where the focus was on Israel.
- ▣ NT restoration is about our relationship with Christ and how to have **RESTORATION** in our lives.....

The Application

- ▣ Restoration focuses is on God's priorities and not ours
- ▣ Restoration begins when God's people repent and return to godly living
- ▣ Restoration cannot be produced by religious practices; it can only be produced when hearts are ruled by the Holy Spirit