

Recollection

Mark 14: 172

Repentance is wrought by Holy Spirit by leading us to reflect on sin.

I

when Peter recollected his fault he wept

Let's study Peter's case and use it for our own instruction

1. He considered that he had denied his Lord.
2. He reflected on the excellence of his Lord.
3. He remembered how his Lord had honored him with apostleship
4. He recalled his own boasts and pledges.

II

Study our own lives for our further humiliation

1. Think of our transgressions
2. " " " resistance to light
3. " " " small progress
4. " " " Back slidings
5. " " " neglect of souls

III

Study the effects of these thoughts on our minds.

1. Can we think of these things without emotion - yes - "my surroundings make me what I am".
2. Are we moved by thoughts of these things, surely when we dwell on these things we will weep as did Peter.

El. Greeks thought that memory must be a source of torture in next world so they interposed between the two worlds the waters of Lethe - the river of forgetfulness - we do not want that for Calvary is this side the other world and that is enough.

