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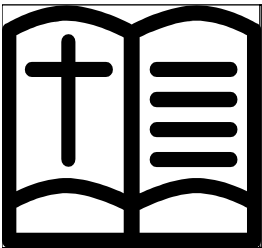## GALATIANS 6:1; SELECTED SCRIPTURES
PART 16: "NETWORKING TO RESTORE"

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      2. It is explicit in its use in both the Tanakh and in the New Testament. Used over 950 times
   B. Restoration is God's law when things were out of the place He had intended for them
   C. Restoration has <u>two</u> parts to it.
      1. To bring something back to its <u>original</u> place
      2. To return it to its <u>proper</u> condition
   D. Restoration has a human side and a divine side
      1. <u>Repentance</u> is restoration of a soul to its position before God. This is the human side of restoration
      2. The divine side is God putting a human soul back in a relationship with Himself: <u>justify</u>
   E. Jesus illustrated His power to restore on many occasions with people whose physical condition had been altered by disease or malady
   F. Restoration is the future ministry of <u>Elijah</u>!
   G. The restoration of <u>Israel</u> is God's promise to then
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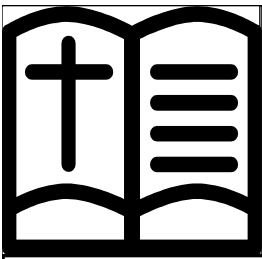
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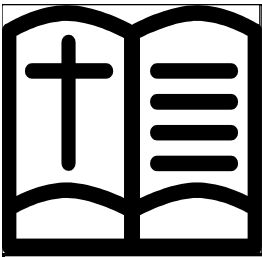
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