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DAY 5 – KINDNESS THAT LEADS TO REPENTANCE

Romans 2:4 NKJV

“Or do you despise the riches of His goodness, forbearance, and longsuffering, not knowing that the goodness of God leads you to repentance?”

The pathway to repentance is paved not with condemnation but with kindness. It is God’s goodness that softens hearts and draws people back to Him. He is patient with us in our sin not because He is compromising with us, but because His love is steadfast and His desire is restoration. His patience gives us space to turn, to lay down our rebellion, and to discover that His mercy is greater than our sin.

Ephesians 4:32 NKJV commands us, “Be kind to one another, tenderhearted, forgiving one another, even as God in Christ forgave you,” and Paul writes in Colossians 3:12 NKJV, “Put on tender mercies, kindness, humility, meekness, longsuffering.” Kindness is not optional; it is part of our spiritual clothing. Our kindness is a reflection of His forgiveness.

When the weight of our sin brings us down, the kindness of God is our lifeline—lifting us out of despair. In our stumbling, He wants to make it known that we can run to Him because His mercy will always be greater than our failure.

In the same way, our kindness can be the bridge that leads someone else to repentance. When we show others that the family of God is a safe place to confess, we open the door for healing, restoration, and the freedom that comes through Christ’s forgiveness.

Life Application:

- When someone is sharing their faults, listen without rushing to criticize or judge. Sometimes presence is the most powerful kindness.
- Let your action, no matter how small, reveal the heart of God to someone else.