





# The Context:

1. The Bible is **Historically Accurate**
2. The Bible is **Absolutely True**
3. The Bible is **Totally Reliable**



# The Man:

1. He was a **Man of God**
2. He was the **Son of Zachariah**
3. He was a **Wilderness Man**

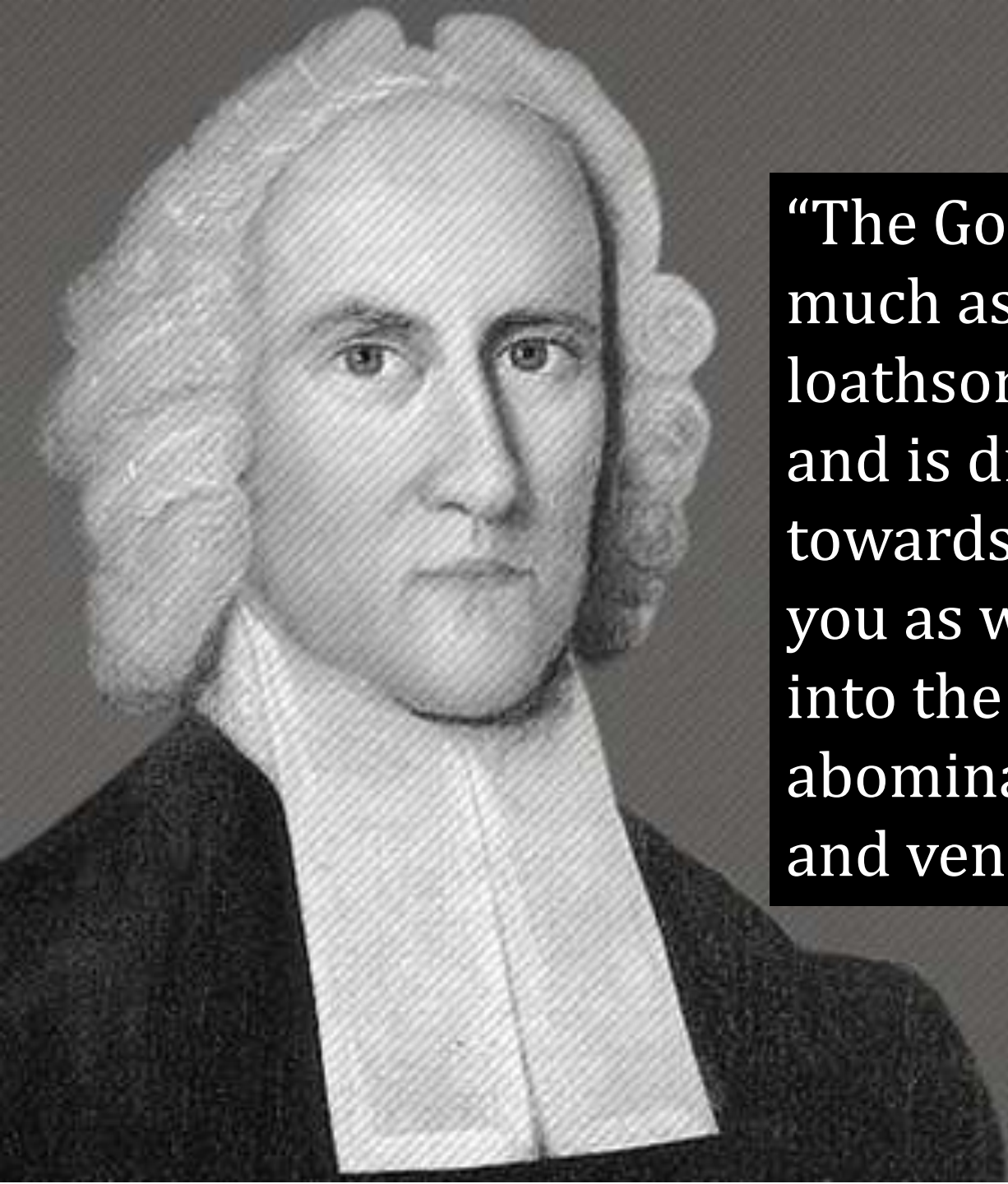




4. He was the **Baptizer**
  2. Baptism of **Repentance**
  3. Baptism of **Forgiveness**
  4. Baptism of **Fire**



5. He was the **Forerunner to Jesus**
6. He was a **Powerful Preacher**



“The God that holds you over the pit of hell, much as one holds a spider or some loathsome insect over the fire, abhors you, and is dreadfully provoked; his wrath towards you burns like fire; he looks upon you as worthy of nothing else, but to be cast into the fire ... you are ten thousand times so abominable in his eyes, as the most hateful and venomous serpent is in ours.”

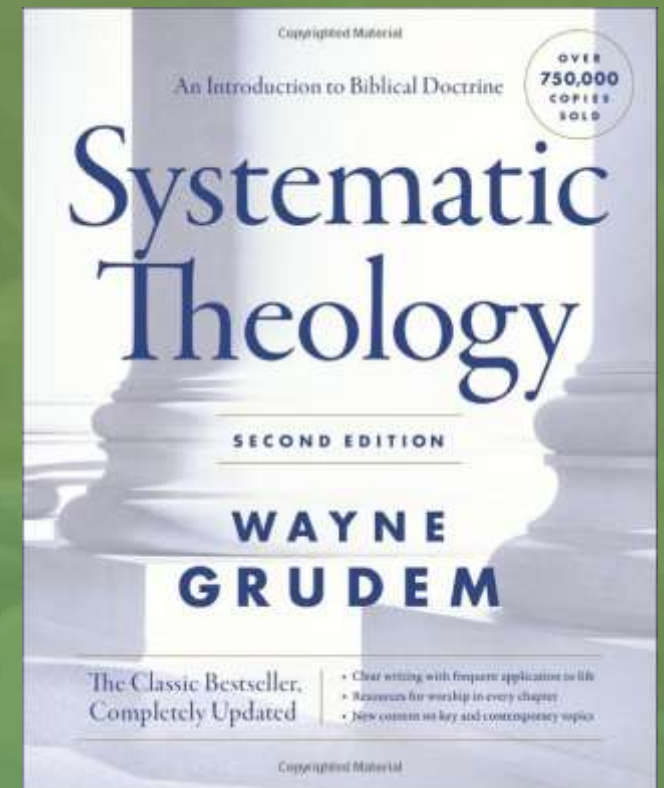




# The Message:

## 1. What is Repentance?

‘A heartfelt sorrow for sin, a renouncing of it, and a sincere commitment to forsake it and walk in obedience to Christ’  
(Grudem)





# 1. What is Repentance?

1. Conviction
2. Confession
3. Commitment
4. Change





## 2. Why is Repentance Important?

1. It is Essential for **Salvation**
2. It is Essential for **Sanctification**
3. It is Essential for **Preaching**



# What about the Church Today?

1. Repentance is **Harsh**
2. Repentance makes People **Feel Bad**
3. Repentance is **Hard**



## 3. How do I Repent?

### Step 1: Expose yourself to God's Word

1. You are a **Wicked Sinner**
2. You cannot **Save Yourself**
3. You will be **Judged**





## Step 2: Conviction

1. Know your **Sin**
2. Feel your **Guilt**



## Step 3: Confession

1. Confession is **Agreeing with God**
2. Confession is **Once & Continually**



## Step 4: Commit & Change

1. We **Commit to Jesus**
2. We **Change into Who we are in Christ**





# The Application:

1. Fathers: **Be Like John**
2. VBS: **Be Like the Crowds**
3. All: **Be Like Jesus**