

## YHWH's "regret" (Hebrew, *nchm*, nifal stem) in the Bible

[GREEN = repent/change mind; RED = NOT repent/change mind]

Gen 6.6-7	And <b>YHWH was sorry</b> that he had made humankind on the earth, and it grieved him to his heart. So YHWH said, "I will blot out from the earth the human beings I have created--people together with animals and creeping things and birds of the air, for <b>I am sorry</b> that I have made them."
Ex 32.14	And <b>YHWH changed his mind</b> about the disaster that he planned to bring on his people.
Num 23.19	<b>God is not</b> a human being, that he should lie, or <b>a mortal, that he should change his mind</b> . Has he promised, and will he not do it? Has he spoken, and will he not fulfill it?
<b>1 Sam 15.11</b>	<b>"I regret that I made Saul king, for he has turned back from following me, and has not carried out my commands."</b>
<b>1 Sam 15.29</b>	<b>"Moreover the Glory of Israel will not recant or change his mind; for he is not a mortal, that he should change his mind."</b>
<b>1 Sam 15.35</b>	<b>And YHWH was sorry that he had made Saul king over Israel.</b>
Jer 4.28	I have spoken, I have purposed; <b>I have not relented</b> nor will I turn back.
Jer 15.6	You have rejected me, says YHWH, you are going backward; so I have stretched out my hand against you and destroyed you-- <b>I am weary of relenting</b> .
Jer 18.8 (and 18.10)	if that nation, concerning which I have spoken, turns from its evil, <b>I will change my mind</b> about the disaster that I intended to bring on it.
Jer 26.3 (and 26.13, 19)	It may be that they will listen, all of them, and will turn from their evil way, that <b>I may change my mind</b> about the disaster that I intend to bring on them because of their evil doings.
Joel 2.13-14	Return to YHWH, your God, for he is gracious and merciful, slow to anger, and abounding in steadfast love, and <b>relents</b> from punishing. Who knows whether he will not turn and <b>relent</b> , and leave a blessing behind him, a grain offering and a drink offering for YHWH, your God?
Amos 7.3 (and 7.6)	<b>YHWH relented</b> concerning this; "It shall not be," said YHWH.
Jonah 3.10	When God saw what they did, how they turned from their evil ways, <b>God changed his mind</b> about the calamity that he had said he would bring upon them; and he did not do it.
Zech 8.14	For thus says YHWH of hosts: Just as I purposed to bring disaster upon you, when your ancestors provoked me to wrath, and <b>I did not relent</b> , says YHWH of hosts,
Ps 110.4	<b>YHWH</b> has sworn and <b>will not change his mind</b> , "You are a priest forever according to the order of Melchizedek."