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In Trust With The Gospel

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The Natural Man

But the natural man receiveth not the things of the Spirit of God: for they are foolishness unto him: neither can he know [them], because they are spiritually discerned. [1Co 2:14 KJV]

The reason the natural man neither receives or can know the things of The Spirit is because he is dead in trespasses and sins. See Eph 2:1

A man in such a state can not receive a proposition he deems as foolishness. To anyone in this state, repentance is such a proposition. The same is true regarding belief.

Not until a man is born again does he have the capacity to repent and believe on Jesus Christ. Even then, repentance is a grace that God must grant.