

The New Birth

I confess with my mouth
that Jesus is Lord,
I believe in my heart
that God has raised Him
from the dead,
therefore I am saved,
I am a child of God,
I am born again.

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Introduction: What The New Birth Experience Is Not

Confirmation	Church membership	Water Baptism
Card signing	Taking the Sacrament	Shaking the Pastor's hand
Saying prayers	Memorizing creeds	Being morally good
Going to church	Reading the Bible	Doing good deeds
Religious duties	Intellectual reception	Being cultured or refined

As good as some of the above may be, not one of these constitutes the New Birth experience of being Born Again.

In this chapter on the New Birth we will study the truth of God's Word about salvation. Contained within the pages of the Bible is everything we need to know in order to understand and experience the power of the New Birth.

Read John 20:30-31 from your Bible.

Why was the Word of God written? (verse 31)

What The New Birth Is

1. The New Birth is the act of being made a child of God.

Read John 1:6-13 from your Bible.

What is our new relationship with God? (verse 12)

2. The New Birth is having our sins forgiven.

Read 1 John 1:8-10 from your Bible.

What must we do in order to have our sins forgiven? (verse 9)

When we confess our sins what does God promise to do?

3. The New Birth is being made a new creation.

Read 2 Corinthians 5:14-21 from your Bible.

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If a man is in Christ Jesus, what is he? (verse 17)

4. The New Birth is receiving peace from God.

Read Romans 5:1-5 from your Bible.

Who does our peace with God come through? (verse 1)

5. The New Birth is having fellowship with God.

Read 1 John 1:3-7 from your Bible.

Name three persons we now have fellowship with. (verse 3)

The New Birth Is Absolutely Necessary

1. Jesus told Nicodemus that he must be born again.

Read John 3:3 from your Bible.

What must happen to a man before he can see the Kingdom of God?

2. A conversion must take place.

Read Matthew 18:1-5 from your Bible.

For one to enter the Kingdom of Heaven what must happen? (verse 3)

3. Without repentance all will perish.

Read Luke 13:1-5 from your Bible.

What must we do in order not to perish? (verse 3 and 5)

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Five Steps To Take In Order To Be Born Again

Step 1 - Realize that we are a sinner.

Read Romans 3:21-26 from your Bible.

Is there anyone who has not sinned? (verse 23)

Step 2 - Realize sin has a penalty.

Read Romans 6:15-23 from your Bible.

What is the wages of sin? (verse 23)

Step 3 - Realize God loves us and has already paid our sin penalty.

Read Romans 5:6-11 from your Bible.

At what time in our lives did God love us? (verse 8)

Step 4 - Realize we receive salvation as a gift.

Read Romans 6:15-23 from your Bible.

What is eternal life called in this verse? (verse 23)

Step 5 - Receive salvation now.

Read Romans 10:9-13 from your Bible.

What two things are we told to do? What promise is made? (verse 10)

Bible Basics for Spirit-filled Believers

We can be born again by simply believing on Christ as God's Son and confessing Him as our Lord and Savior. If you have never prayed to receive Christ as Lord and Savior, then right now, pray the following prayer in faith believing and Christ will come into your life.

A Prayer For Salvation

Dear God,

Be merciful to me a sinner!

Forgive me of all my sins and blot out my transgressions.

Cleanse me from all unrighteousness and make me clean by the precious blood of Jesus Christ and by the power of the Holy Spirit.

I will forsake sin and consecrate my life to your service and to the good of others and walk in the light of your Word; the Bible.

I now believe, that you forgive me and according to your Word in *Romans 10:9-10*, I am saved.

I am Born Again.

In Jesus' name I ask and believe.

Thank You my Father.

AMEN!

Chapter 1 Assignments

1. Bible Reading

Read Chapters 1 - 21 in the book of Matthew.

2. Memory Verse

Romans 10:9 That if thou shalt confess with thy mouth the Lord Jesus, and shalt believe in thine heart that God hath raised him from the dead, thou shalt be saved.

10 For with the heart man believeth unto righteousness; and with the mouth confession is made unto salvation.

3. Speak The Word

I confess with my mouth that Jesus is Lord, I believe in my heart that God has raised Him from the dead, therefore I am saved, I am a child of God, I am born again.

4. Prayer Time

Begin to set aside time each day for prayer. Talk to God just as you would a close friend. Right now, do two things. 1) Set a time to pray, and 2) select a place to pray. All relationships must have communication. For your relationship with God to be complete, you must make prayer a top priority in your life.

