

Regeneration: Born Again

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1 Peter 1:3

Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who according to His great mercy has caused us to be born again to a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead,

1 Peter 1:23

... for you have been born again not of seed which is perishable but imperishable, *that is*, through the living and enduring word of God.

Jesus and Nicodemus

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John 3:1-21

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John 7:50-52

50. Nicodemus (he who came to Him before, being one of them) *said to them,

51. "Our Law does not judge a man unless it first hears from him and knows what he is doing, does it?"

52. They answered him, "You are not also from Galilee, are you? Search, and see that no prophet arises out of Galilee."

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John 19:39-42

39. Nicodemus, who had first come to Him by night, also came, bringing a mixture of myrrh and aloes, about a hundred pounds *weight*.

40. So they took the body of Jesus and bound it in linen wrappings with the spices, as is the burial custom of the Jews.

41. Now in the place where He was crucified there was a garden, and in the garden a new tomb in which no one had yet been laid.

42. Therefore because of the Jewish day of preparation, since the tomb was nearby, they laid Jesus there.

The Necessity of Regeneration	
1	<p><u>John 3:7</u> "Do not be amazed that I said to you, 'You must be born again.'</p> <p><u>Galatians 6:15</u> For neither is circumcision anything, nor uncircumcision, but a new creation.</p>
2	<p><u>John 3:3, 5</u></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none">3. Jesus answered and said to him, "Truly, truly, I say to you, unless one is born again he cannot see the kingdom of God."4. Nicodemus said to Him, "How can a man be born when he is old? He cannot enter a second time into his mother's womb and be born, can he?"5. Jesus answered, "Truly, truly, I say to you, unless one is born of water and the Spirit he cannot enter into the kingdom of God.
3	<p><u>John 3:6</u> That which is born of the flesh is flesh, and that which is born of the Spirit is spirit.</p> <p><u>Galatians 5:19-21</u></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none">19. Now the deeds of the flesh are evident, which are: immorality, impurity, sensuality,20. idolatry, sorcery, enmities, strife, jealousy, outbursts of anger, disputes, dissensions, factions,21. envying, drunkenness, carousing, and things like these, of which I forewarn you, just as I have forewarned you, that those who practice such things will not inherit the kingdom of God. <p><u>Romans 8:5-9</u></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none">5. For those who are according to the flesh set their minds on the things of the flesh, but those who are according to the Spirit, the things of the Spirit.6. For the mind set on the flesh is death, but the mind set on the Spirit is life and peace,7. because the mind set on the flesh is hostile toward God; for it does not subject itself to the law of God, for it is not even able <i>to do so</i>,8. and those who are in the flesh cannot please God.9. However, you are not in the flesh but in the Spirit, if indeed the Spirit of God dwells in you. But if anyone does not have the Spirit of Christ, he does not belong to Him. <p><u>John 8:34</u> Jesus answered them, "Truly, truly, I say to you, everyone who commits sin is the slave of sin.</p> <p><u>Romans 6:17</u> But thanks be to God that though you were slaves of sin, you became obedient from the heart to that form of teaching to which you were committed,</p>

4	<p><u>Ephesians 2:1-3</u></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. And you were dead in your trespasses and sins,2. in which you formerly walked according to the course of this world, according to the prince of the power of the air, of the spirit that is now working in the sons of disobedience.3. Among them we too all formerly lived in the lusts of our flesh, indulging the desires of the flesh and of the mind, and were by nature children of wrath, even as the rest.
5	<p><u>Jeremiah 13:23</u> Can the Ethiopian change his skin or the leopard his spots? <i>Then</i> you also can do good who are accustomed to doing evil.</p> <p><u>Matthew 12:33</u> Either make the tree good and its fruit good, or make the tree bad and its fruit bad; for the tree is known by its fruit.</p> <p><u>1 Corinthians 2:14</u> But a natural man does not accept the things of the Spirit of God, for they are foolishness to him; and he cannot understand them, because they are spiritually appraised.</p>