

# “Born Again”

## Do You Understand It?

### THE TRUE WITNESS WITH THE KINGDOM NEWS

#### “YOU MUST BE BORN AGAIN” – WHY?

Many professing Christians sincerely believe they have been “born again” – but do not understand what JESUS meant when He used those words. Do not be too sure you know! The True answer is not only surprising – it is amazing. It is the most IMPORTANT TRUTH you can know. Here is the TRUE WITNESS...

Jesus, the Son of God, came to this earth to reveal the Kingdom of God message. (Mark 1:1; Luke 4:43) This is HIS Message, HIS Doctrine, HIS Gospel, HIS WORD. (Mark 1:14-15; Luke 4:32)

The message which Jesus gave reveals the Kingdom of God as the goal we are to strive for. It is the “mark” we are to aim at. It is the “final destination” for followers of Jesus. (Luke 16:16)

However, not everyone will make it (find entry) into God’s Kingdom for He guards it. He tells you HOW to approach it and HOW to enter into it! (Matthew 7:13-14) You cannot even SEE the Kingdom of God unless you follow God’s Plan for rebirth. (John 3:3)

THAT’S RIGHT! In order to obtain the goal, to hit the “mark,” to reach the final destination in God’s Plan – that is, in order to be eligible to ENTER the Kingdom of God – He requires that you

MUST be BORN AGAIN of the Water and the Spirit. (John 3:5)

Paul reveals to us that being BORN AGAIN so that we may SEE and ENTER the KINGDOM OF GOD means that we must shed (give up) this natural, mortal body and all of its attributes. (I Corinthians 15:49-50) NOTE: Flesh and Blood cannot inherit the Kingdom of God! REMEMBER: Believers are but embryos who are becoming more and more Christ like. He, then, is the Master Pattern. He died and was resurrected, becoming the FIRST FRUITS (First in Line), or footsteps. (I Corinthians 15:20, 23; Hebrews 2:10; Romans 8:29)

In His resurrected, glorified, eternal new body, Jesus was Wonderfully Different from His previous Flesh and Blood existence. He could do many amazing things because He was different. (Luke 24:15-16, 31, 36-37) Jesus told His followers who saw Him after His resurrection that He was not now merely mortal Flesh and Blood, but He was rather FLESH and BONES. (Luke 24:39)

He was not simply a Spirit, with NO body, but He has received a special new body which is the pattern for the bodies which we who follow Him will receive. As such, He had NO NEED of Blood, for that was the LIFE of His FORMER body. When He was resurrected He was CHANGED so that His Life now was in His SPIRIT alone! His new body did not, could not, bleed.

(John 2: 19-21, 26-28) As SPIRITUAL CHILDREN in the BODY of their Mother, we (God's future SONS) are looking forward to being REBORN! YES! BORN AGAIN – So that we can be just like Him in both body and mind. (Romans 8:23; I John 3:12) We then shall become (future tense) a “kind of First Fruits” patterned after THE FIRST FRUITE. (James 1:18) Notice that I John 3:1-2 poses the basic questions of: WHO, WHEN, AND WHAT.

WHO is being addressed? We who are in the gestation process, and are developing, being prepared to be delivered – Born Again. WHEN will this be completed? God's Plan for His Children will be completed at the Coming of Jesus Christ for His Church when we will be Caught UP to be with Him. WHAT will be different about the Sons of God? They all will be changed and will outwardly evidence the inward nature they have commonly developed. The WILL be LIKE HIM.

We cannot be “like Him” and SEE Him “AS He Is” until we ourselves are fully BORN AGAIN. (John 3:3-6) THEN we can SEE Him and ENTER with Him into THE KINGDOM OF GOD. We know that we cannot do that as long as we are merely Flesh and Blood! (I Corinthians 15:50) Therefore, we must forfeit this present, natural Flesh and Blood body for a NEW one BEFORE we may be BORN AGAIN! That means we will NOT then be Born of Flesh, but rather, Born of SPIRIT. (I Corinthians 15:42-44) Until God REDEEMS our NATURAL bodies, just like a store “coupon” or a “return for deposit” container, at the resurrection of “They that are Christ's (I Corinthians 15:23) – we are, AT PRESENT, simply BEGOTTEN of the Father BY HIS WORD. His WORD is ENGRAFTED

within us at our BEGETTAL (spliced in, cut in, implanted), and at our WATER BAPTISM in JESUS' NAME we are supernaturally, spiritually circumcised - circumcision of the heart. (James 1: 21; Romans 11:16-19, 23-24; Colossians 1:10-13)

The HEARER/BELIEVER/DOER then becomes a Spiritual Jew – a Child Begotten of God and PLACED within the BODY of Christ – the Church of God, which is their Mother. (Romans 2:25-29; Hebrews 12:23; Galatians 4:26)

This lets all know that those presently BEGOTTEN of the Father are yet being nourished and developed within the BODY of their Mother, and have NOT Yet been BORN AGAIN. What does this mean? It reveals to us the real impact of Jesus' statement in John 3:5-6: being BORN AGAIN IS A FUTURE action which is preceded by the PRESENT gestation period, here on this earth.

God BEGETS us by His WORD, and WATER BAPTISM in JESUS' NAME places us within the BODY OF CHRIST. (Galatians 3:26-29; Romans 6:3-5) The SPIRIT BAPTISM is sent to the HEARER/BELIEVER/DOER as a SEAL: God's Stamp-of-Ownership! (Ephesians 1:13, 4:30; II Timothy 2:19) It was by Spirit Baptism that God indicated to Peter and the Jews that He was calling to Himself the Gentiles also. They were to be His own. (Acts 10:44-47; 11:17-18)

Yet, the Spirit Baptism was not enough by itself to SECURE their position in Christ (place them in His Body able to be nourished and developed.) Thus, they were COMMANDED to receive

WATER BAPTISM IN JESUS' NAME.  
(Acts 10:48)

Likewise, WATER BAPTISM IN JEUS' name, by itself is not enough to secure one in God's Plan, through to REBIRTH. ALL who are TRULY His MUST and WILL receive the SPIRIT BAPTISM. (Acts 8:12-17; Romans 8:9)

The two BAPTISMS complement each other: WATER BAPTISM IN JESUS' NAME cleanses us and puts us into the BODY of Christ; and the Gift of SPIRIT BAPTISM is the SEAL of God upon us, and is the "prepaid interest," "earnest," or "good faith" indication of His FUTRURE intentions for our eternal inheritance in Him. SPIRIT BAPTISM is, in fact, the imparting to us of His Own SPIRITUAL "genetic code" – thus enabling us to develop as an embryo to be like Him. (I John 3: 1-2) Note: Acts 2:38-39, 8:14-17; II Corinthians 1:22; Ephesians 1:13-14; and John 1:12-13

The SPIRIT BAPTISM is the LIFE LINE the UMBILICAL CORD, through which you are individually tied to the source of your nourishment, and by which we collectively are empowered by God. These processes are only possible as we remain IN the BODY of Christ – the True Church of God, our Mother – where the umbilical cord (Spirit) is. Without the umbilical cord the embryo would soon die. Likewise, without the PSIRIT Jesus lets us know that we cannot be REBORN, and are NONE OF HIS. (Romans 8:9)

Jesus will return to claim those that are His. He will "CATCH UP" His own. Therefore the new birth is completed at the resurrection when those who belong to Jesus will be Caught Up!! Note: Romans 8:11-13; I Corinthians 15:44-54) Then the Born Again Sons of

God will be as the wind (as described by Jesus in John 3:8). In their Spirit bodies, the born-again Sons of God will be able to travel as the wind, appear, disappear, and reappear at will. (Luke 24:31, 36, 39, 51) Amazing, but TRUE!

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