



BORN OF GOD

John 3:1-7

The little word “must” in “You *must* be born again” means it is _____, if you want to _____ God.

If you or I enter the kingdom of heaven, we must first be born again of _____ and the _____.

Water is involved in that _____ is a dipping in water, an _____.

The Holy Spirit is involved through the _____ – the apostle Peter taught that one is born again by _____ to the truth (1 Peter 1:22-23). Without the _____ of the gospel we would not _____ or _____ what we must do to obey truth. The Word is an *imperishable* _____; it is for all _____ – it will produce _____ what it produced in the first century.

The gospel produces _____ in us (Romans 10:17).

Titus 3:3-7 explains the new birth: we were _____ to sins, to “various lusts and pleasures,” but the kindness of God _____ us, not because of our own righteous _____, but because of His _____, and this was done by the _____ of regeneration and _____ of the Holy Spirit. This *washing* is a clear reference to _____. It is _____ who washes us by the _____ of Jesus and the _____ who renews us. Some think baptism is a _____ of men, but it is God who does the work.

How do we get this new life? The Bible gives a very clear picture in Romans 6:3-7.

To be reborn, one must first die to _____ and to _____ – it is only when you are _____ with Christ in baptism that you die to the _____ of sin and can be raised to walk in _____ of life – _____. (Also see Luke 9:23-24)

The new life starts at baptism but lasts our _____ life through.

When you are baptized you are born into the _____ of God (John 1:11-13).

When you are born again in baptism, you become a _____ (2 Corinthians 5:17; Ephesians 4:17-32 and Galatians 5:22-23 describe this change).

When a person is born into the family of God, he has God as a _____ who protects, provides, guides, instructs and corrects. (See Ephesians 1:3)

When a person is born into God’s family, the Lord _____ him to the _____. (See Ephesians 2:19-22)

Being born again _____ our lives _____ (1 Peter 2:9-10).