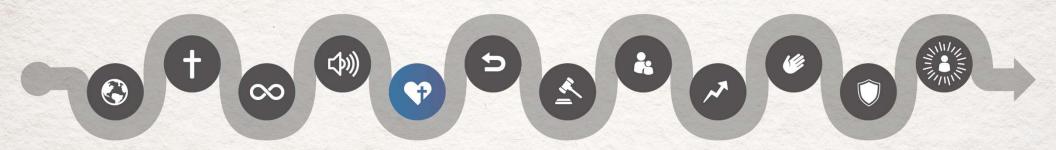


· God's plan to save us ·



5. Regeneration

The Need for Regeneration

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Now there was a man of the Pharisees named Nicodemus, a ruler of the Jews. 2 This man came to Jesus by night and said to him, "Rabbi, we know that you are a teacher come from God, for no one can do these signs that you do unless God is with him." 3 Jesus answered 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? Can he enter a second time into his mother's womb and be born?"

John 3:1-8

5 Jesus answered, "Truly, truly, I say to you, unless one is born of water and the Spirit, he cannot enter the kingdom of God. 6
That which is born of the flesh is flesh, and that which is born of the Spirit is spirit. 7 Do not marvel that I said to you, 'You must be born again.' 8 The wind blows where it wishes, and you hear its sound, but you do not know where it comes from or where it goes. So it is with everyone who is born of the Spirit."

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The Effects of being 'Born of God'

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1. Loves God and believes in Christ (5:1)

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1 John 5:1 - Everyone who believes that Jesus is the Christ has been born of God, and everyone who loves the Father loves whoever has been born of him.

- 1. Loves God and believes in Christ (5:1)
- 2. Ceases from sinning (3:9; 5:18)

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1 John 3:9 - No one born of God makes a practice of sinning, for God's seed abides in him; and he cannot keep on sinning, because he has been born of God.

1 John 5:18 - We know that everyone who has been born of God does not keep on sinning, but he who was born of God protects him, and the evil one does not touch him.

- 1. Loves God and believes in Christ (5:1)
- 2. Ceases from sinning (3:9; 5:18)
- 3. Practices Righteousness (2:29)

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1 John 2:29 - If you know that he is righteous, you may be sure that everyone who practices righteousness has been born of him.

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- 2. Ceases from sinning (3:9; 5:18)
- 3. Practices Righteousness (2:29)
- 4. Loves other Christians (4:7)





1 John 4:7- Beloved, let us love one another, for love is from God, and whoever loves has been born of God and knows God.

1 John 5:4- For everyone who has been born of God overcomes the world. And this is the victory that has overcome the world—our faith.

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The Promise of A New Heart

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And I will give you a new heart, and a new spirit I will put within you. And I will remove the heart of stone from your flesh and give you a heart of flesh. And I will put my Spirit within you, and cause you to walk in my statutes and be careful to obey my rules.

- Ezekiel 36:26-27

