

Title: THE NEW BIRTH (1)

Text: 2 Cor. 5:17-21; Romans 10:9-10; Memory Verse: John 3:3

Introduction:

Everyone is born into this world through human vessels. No one fell from heaven to the earth because the natural birth principle of entering into this world cannot be violated. Even our Lord Jesus had to humble Himself to obey that process. In the same way, the birth into God's kingdom is a spiritual law that must be honored for entrance into this kingdom. This new birth or second birth is a mystery that must be understood by all men in order to be a partaker of God's kingdom and enjoy all the benefits of the experience. Today, we are going to examine the greatest gift of God to mankind.

1. WHAT IS THE NEW BIRTH: Eph. 2:1-10

It is a miraculous spiritual occurrence, which involves the re-birth of the Human Spirit from spiritual death.

- It is a replacement of the sinful nature with a new nature.
- It is saving man from the consequences of sin.

2. WHY THE NEW BIRTH: Romans 3:23; Ezekiel 18:20

- It is the need of every human heart that has experienced the natural birth.
- Man is born in sin **Psalm 5:15; Isaiah 48:8**
- Man's understanding is darkened **Eph. 4:18; 2 Cor. 4:3-4**
- Man's heart is full of evil **Jer. 17:9; Gen. 2:17**
- Man is spiritually dead **Eph. 2:1; Gen. 2:17**
- Man disobeyed God, lost his position and took on devil's nature. **Gen. 2:16-17; Rom. 3:23**
- The New Birth is man's only opportunity for restoration **John 3:3-6**

3. WHAT HAPPENED AT NEW BIRTH: Jesus took your place

- When He died, you died; **Romans 6:8**
- When He was buried, you were buried; **Col. 2:12**
- When He was made alive, you were made alive; **Col. 2:13**
- When He was vindicated, you were vindicated; **I Tim. 3:16**
- When He was raised to sit in heaven, you were raised with Him; **Eph. 2:6**

4. HOW TO HAVE THE NEW BIRTH

In order to be born again, you have to follow God's law of spiritual birth (**Jer. 13:23; Romans 3:20**). Unlike the natural birth, the new birth is an instantaneous birth that brings about the miraculous re-birth once your decision is made to receive God's gift. **Rev. 22:17**

KNOW - BELIEVE - RECEIVE (Repent & Confess) - REBIRTH

Romans 10:14; John. 1:12; Romans 10:9 - 17; Prov. 28:13; Matt. 3:8; Romans 8:16. Act as if all that the word says about you are true in the natural, because they are true.