

Born Twice

We, as Christians, are the only group of people on the earth that has been born twice. The miracle of the new birth is not understood by those that have never experienced it.

John 3:5-6 KJV Jesus answered, Verily, verily, I say unto thee, Except a man be born of water and of the

Spirit, he cannot enter into the Kingdom of God. [6] That which is born of the flesh is flesh; and

that which is born of the Spirit is spirit.

1 Peter 1:23 KJV Being born again, not of corruptible seed, but of incorruptible, by the Word of God,

which liveth and abideth for ever.

I remember my spiritual new birth like it was yesterday, even though it happened over 40 years ago. I went to the church meeting just to appease my wife who had been born again a few months before. But on that [Sunday morning](#), my life changed forever! I didn't know all that happened to me that day, but I knew I was a different man. Over the years, though, I have come to realize what happened to me by studying the Bible. When a person is born again, they receive a re-born spirit. There is awesome potential in them: they have the same nature as God has in Himself. They can live Godly with God's ability. To forgive somebody is easy, with the nature of God; to give is easy, with the nature of God; to live like God is easy, with the nature of God. When I was a mechanic, I had many tools that were called hand tools; I also had power tools. These power tools gave me the ability to do jobs so much easier and faster. When Christians use their re-born spirit to live for God, it's like using the power tools; it becomes easy to live out God's desire.

About 25 years ago, I was introduced to some books that changed my life. The author of the books was E.W. Kenyon. He was born in 1867 and died in 1948. One of the books that really impacted my Christian life was 'New Creation Realities'. In this book, he taught about the reality of our new birth and the new nature that we now possess. He taught me that the struggle to live a Godly life should not be hard, but easy. He taught that our inward spirit man has to be accepted as real by our minds, just like we accept our natural bodies as real. Our 5 senses tell us what is real in this natural world, and our faith tells us what is real in the spiritual world. In the world of the spirit, our victory in Jesus has already been completely sealed. I believe that most Christians struggle to live a Godly life, because they are trying to live it through their first birth instead of through their second birth. When we are born again, God places His DNA in us. The very nature and life of God dwells in us, but it has to come forth through our souls; which is our mind, will and emotions. When we meditate on our reborn spirit, instead of our flawed, natural life, we will have God's nature lived out through our soul and body.

Remember that Abraham had two sons. One was born from a bond woman, and the other was born from the free woman. In our flesh birth, we were born as slaves to sin. In our spirit birth, we were born as rulers over the flesh, the devil, and sin. Identify with your second birth, and you will experience the freedom of Jesus. Meditate on these

verses, they will help you to understand.

Genesis 17:18-19 KJV And Abraham said unto God, O that Ishmael might live before thee! [19] And God said, Sarah thy wife shall bear thee a son indeed; and thou shalt call his name Isaac: and I will establish my covenant with him for an everlasting covenant, and with his seed after him.

Genesis 21:9-12 KJV And Sarah saw the son of Hagar the Egyptian, which she had born unto Abraham,

mocking. [10] Wherefore she said unto Abraham, Cast out this bondwoman and her son: for the

son of this bondwoman shall not be heir with my son, even with Isaac. [11] And the thing was very

grievous in Abraham's sight because of his son. [12] And God said unto Abraham, Let it not be grievous in thy sight because of the lad, and because of thy bondwoman; in all that Sarah hath said unto thee, hearken unto her voice; for in Isaac shall thy seed be called.

Galatians 4:22-26 KJV For it is written, that Abraham had two sons, the one by a bondmaid, the other by a freewoman. [23] But he who was of the bondwoman was born after the flesh; but he of the freewoman was by promise. [24] Which things are an allegory: for these are the two covenants; the one from the mount Sinai, which gendereth to bondage, which is Agar. [25] For this Agar is mount Sinai in Arabia, and answereth to Jerusalem which now is, and is in bondage with her children. [26] But Jerusalem which is above is free, which is the mother of us all.

Galatians 4:28-29 KJV Now we, brethren, as Isaac was, are the children of promise. [29] But as then he that was born after the flesh persecuted him that was born after the Spirit, even so it is now.

Love you, Pastor Paul