## VICTORY What It Means To Be Born Again

Looking deeper into the phrase "born again" is going to open your mind to see you and God in an entirely different manner.

Jesus answered and said to him, "Most assuredly, I say to you, unless one is born again, he cannot see the kingdom of God." (John 3:3)

To "see the Kingdom of God" means "enter into and experience God's realm" inside and out. STRONGS N.T. #1492 & #932

"See" in the Greek (EIDO) also means the perception of the Kingdom and its realities.

- The "Kingdom of God" is God's realm of Divine reign!
- To be born-again means you were spiritually raised from the dead; brought into eternal life through the resurrection power of Jesus Christ.

Jesus answered, "Truly, truly, I say to you, unless someone is born of water and the Spirit, he cannot enter the kingdom of God. That which has been born of the flesh is flesh, and that which has been born of the Spirit is spirit. (John 3:5-6)

Q: Being born again is the only way to have access into the Kingdom of God. Why?

A: For the same reason you have to be born on Earth to be a citizen here, you have to have a new spirit to enter Heaven and belong there.

## Then Death and Hades were thrown into the lake of fire. This is the second death, the lake of fire. (Revelation 20:14)

- Remember, the devil is not afraid of the dead (unsaved) but the living (saved).
- Resurrection power took him out and the Believer's authority keeps him out.
- The second death does not mean you cease to exist.
- Hell and the Lake of Fire are not the same place.
- Hell will be thrown into the Lake of Fire.
- The second death is to be eternally separated from God without the chance of any more salvation because final judgment is set.
- This is not because God is torturing people but because people chose for satan to be lord instead of Jesus to be Lord.
- It has nothing to do with God being mad at people forever.
- It has to do with rejecting the only way out of where we as a human race put ourselves.
- Sin is transmitted through the soul and the "wages of sin is death."

"Eternal life" is having a relationship with God through Jesus Christ.

<u>"Death"</u> is not having a relationship with God because Jesus Christ, Who is the Resurrection and the Life was rejected.

Q: Why does Jesus say, "must be born again"?

A: Because we must be risen from "the dead" - not just having a dead body that is animated again but from the realm of the dead that is separated from God.

Q: A soul and spirit never dies or ceases to exist?

A: The body, yes but not the soul and spirit. Why? Because God created those aspects of man from Himself. The body came from the earth and as long as the curse is around, bodies will return to the earth. But the soul and spirit are to return to God.

• Believers only "fall asleep" when they pass away as the Bible says. We don't *die in the sense of being eternally separated from God or as in ceasing to exist.* 

Jesus said to her, "I am the resurrection and the life; the one who believes in Me will live, even if he dies, and everyone who lives and believes in Me will never die. Do you believe this?" (John 11:25)

Since we have the "resurrection and the life" in us now through Jesus Christ, we not only live forever but our relationship with Jesus makes a full circle and we are united back with God Himself as Adam and Eve were before the fall.

and everyone who lives and believes in Me will never die. Do you believe this?" She \*said to Him, "Yes, Lord; I have come to believe that You are the Christ, the Son of God, and He who comes into the world." (John 11:26)

If not, then we just stay dead and unresponsive to God.

- God doesn't send people to hell, they just never change their direction if they do not turn in the direction of Jesus Christ.
- The only way to do that is allow Jesus to show us the way because He is the Way. Jesus is the WAY OUT of sin, death, hell and the grave.
- Having a born again spirit reinstates Kingdom life in us for the purposes of resurrecting what is dead and creating what is missing.

You were born again to teach people how to LIVE again.