

"I AM THE WAY, THE TRUTH & THE LIFE..." Jesus

"Repent and be baptised, every one of you, in the name of Jesus Christ for the forgiveness of your sins. And you will receive the gift of the Holy Spirit." **Acts 2:38**

BORN AGAIN (Saved) †

To be born again is to be born from above/of God, a rebirthing of YOUR spirit to become a brand new creation & a child of God, in and through Jesus Christ. By God's grace, love & the blood of Jesus you receive a renewed mind & are restored to your original design, now living a transformed life.

"Kainos" in Greek - meaning completely new (never been seen before). When you are born again you not only now see & enter the kingdom of God, but you have it within you. (**John 3:3-7**). You have now been translated from darkness & into light (prone to a life of purity & holiness).

How do I become born again?...in faith believing, you call upon the name of the Lord & confess with your mouth & believe in your heart that JESUS is Lord & that God raised him from the dead. Through faith you receive from God the gift of salvation.

Rom 10:9-13, 1 Thess 5:23, John 1:12-13, John 3:16, Eph 2:8-10, Rom 6:23, Rom 5:8, 1 Cor 15:45-49, Luke 17:21

THE HOLY SPIRIT 🔥

The Holy Spirit is given to us by God & is the seal upon our lives. The purpose of the Holy Spirit is to: teach, lead, comfort, counsel, transform, guide & empower, to help you pray, make you bold, bring freedom, move you to love & to walk in intimacy with God. The Holy Spirit comes bearing gifts & fruit (**Gal 5:22 & 1 Cor 12:7-11**), all which now become evident in your life as a spirit filled believer. Including the supernatural prayer language of speaking in tongues (**Acts 2:4**).

How do I receive the Holy Spirit?...by faith we ask for & receive the Holy Spirit from God (have someone lay hands on you & pray with you).

What we see in the life of Jesus, we can have in ours (as he is our example). After Jesus was baptised, the Holy Spirit descended upon him like a dove & remained. The Holy Spirit is in you for you, and upon you for others (the nations).

John 14:16-17, Luke 24:49, Acts 1:4-8, 1 Cor 3:16, Rom 14:17, 2 Cor 3:17, Rom 8:14, Eph 1:13

REPENT ↩

"Metanoia" in Greek - meaning to think differently, (a change of heart & motive). It's the kindness of God that leads us to repentance. Repentance is to turn from living for one's self & to begin to live for God (decide & act). It's the acknowledgement of your old sinful nature, and for the need of a saviour. Repentance isn't to just stop sinning, but to now choose the way of righteousness (living like Jesus).

Mat 4:17, Rom 3:23, 2 Pet 3:9, Luke 5:31-32, Rom 2:4, Gal 5:19-25, Col 3:5-7

BAPTISM 🌊

Baptism is more than just symbolic, it is a powerful moment of spiritual transition & transaction. Through baptism you don't just identify with Jesus' death & resurrection, you become a partaker of it. Just as the Egyptian army was cut off & drowned in the Red Sea, when you are baptised so also are the very things that have kept you in captivity & bondage (it is an amazing time of deliverance) **Ex 14:26-31**.

By faith we appropriate the finished work of the cross, reckoning ourselves dead to sin & alive to God.

The fruit of, and the reasons for baptism:

- * You have union with Christ (**Gal 3:26-27**).
- * It's the outworking of repentance (**Mark 1:4-5**).
- * In obedience & response to God (**1 Pet 3:21**).
- * The old man is buried & the new man is raised to life (**Col 2:12**).
- * Following Jesus as the example (**Luke 3:21-22**).
- * It positions you to receive the Holy Spirit (**Mat 3:16**).

Who can baptise me?...any follower of Jesus.

When do I get baptised?...immediately, or as soon as possible (**Acts 16:31-33**).

Where can I get baptised?...anywhere where there is water (**Acts 8:36-38**).

How do I baptise someone?...by immersion & in the "name of the Father, the Son & the Holy Spirit", and into the Lord Jesus Christ (**Mat 28:19-20, Acts 19:5 & Gal 3:27**).

John 8:31-32, Acts 2:41, Mark 16:16

"Now this is eternal life: that they know you, the only true God, and Jesus Christ, whom you have sent." **John 17:3**