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Be Born Again

What does it mean to be born again? (CONTINUING)

Most religions believe in life after death, except the humanists or atheists; they believe in themselves, their intellect, and their education having self in mind. They say, they are not prejudiced, but do not value the life of other cultures. Most follow Darwin's teaching, same as Hitler did. They are easy to compromise their ethics and morals, if it suits their need for self-fulfillment, yet calling it the "common" good, assuming there are others who feel the way they do.

Humanists are the most flexible religious people, because they have to keep up with the latest scientific findings or satanic inspirations. This has the effect of their changing their beliefs about themselves. Atheists do not believe in God or the life hereafter. Their disbelief does not make death go away.

As you can see, religion has no answers to a successful life. God loves all people, no matter how deceived they are. Please my child, don't join them.

Back to the text in **John 3:3.** If Jesus says <u>you must be born again</u>, there has got to be something important to it. So what is the significance of that statement? Well, go to Genesis. God says in **Genesis 1:25** and **Genesis 9:6**: "Let Us make man in our image." What is God's image? Answer: body, soul and spirit. The Trinity equals three in one: God. (There are other passages of Scripture where God is represented as plural; **Jeremiah 30:5** for instance)

In What Image were You Created?

- 1. The thing you see in the mirror: your body.
- 2. The thing that reads and prayerfully understands what you are reading right now: your soul. Your soul is measurable; it has weight. When you die, your body is about 30 grams lighter than before you died. You have direction in life, original ideas, creativity, capacity to love or reject like no other created being.
- 3. You have a <u>spirit</u>: The thing you cannot see, feel or touch. It is like the wind; like electricity, you know it is there, but you cannot touch it, nor see it. It must be there, because you can see the effects of the spirit. Your spirit is the <u>visible influence</u> of another dimension, which you can perceive in your soul and at times in your body. Example: when you experience a prodding, a push to do something you never thought to do before.

All three parts are unique and never repeated in all creation—ever! That is how <u>great</u> God is! You are very special to God and one of a kind. The proof of that in nature is your fingerprints and your DNA. Even if there is a person who looks similar to you, or you might have a twin, who looks a lot like you or a person has the same name as you do. That does not change the fact that you are not like any other person.

This unique quality of every human being on the planet, disproves theories that there is no God, because if we were evolved and insignificant, the characteristics of personal DNA as mighty and peculiar as it is, would serve no purpose. (More on that later)

When Jesus talks about being born again, He does not mean you get a new baby body or a new baby soul. What He says is, when you are born again, you are done living in this cursed world. Your human spirit connects with God's Holy Spirit and you have new life in Christ. (2 Corinthians 5:17, Revelation 21:5) Does that mean you will be better looking or free from sin? Not really. It means, now you have the <u>prerequisite</u>, the "whatever it takes," to

access God in His Holiness and are free to choose God's will as He reveals it specifically for your life.

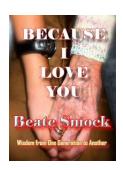
A visual picture of what happens when you are born again is: You go to sleep at night as usual in your usual environment of your bedroom. You meet God. You follow His instruction and wake up in the morning in the same environment, same body, but the whole world is brighter and alive with meaning and understanding. Now you are able to make the choices God suggests to you during your day; or you can do your own thing as the day before.

God has redeemed (exchanged) you from the "dead life" brought to this world when humans (Adam and Eve) disobeyed God. This exchange, redemption, newness of life, whatever you want to call it, is explained in the Bible. It is the very heart of God to reinstate humans back to fellowship with Him, since for so long we have been separated from God, who loves us very much.

Believe me, God always wants your very best, even better than you can choose for yourself. It is of utmost importance, that you not perish, before you die, because people will not get a second chance after the physical death. **2 Peter 3:9** Perish in this case means get lost, expire, crap up.

So how do you avoid perishing? What is the first step?

Well, find out what makes you perish! The short answer is: sin. Since I am long-winded let me elaborate.



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