



**MAKE SURE THAT YOU ARE REALLY SAVED**  
**HOW A PERSON CAN BE “BORN AGAIN”**

As you go through this lesson, look up the Bible verses and answer the questions in the blanks provided. When you are finished with this lesson you and your mentor will meet to discuss your answers and any questions you may have. This is not a pass/fail test, so answer honestly as you understand things. We want you to understand, not just to give the “right” answer.



In John chapter 3 an interesting conversation takes place between the Lord Jesus Christ and a Jewish rabbi named Nicodemus. Read through **John 3:1-21**. Nicodemus did not understand what it meant to be “born again.”

1. Who was it that loved the whole world? *Read John 3:16*

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2. Whom did God give for everyone in the world? *Read John 3:16*

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3. Who is God’s Son? *Read John 20:31*

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4. Did God send His Son, the Lord Jesus Christ, into the world to condemn the world? *Read John 3:17*

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5. Why did God send His Son into the world? *Read John 3:17*

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**Just think! God loved you and all of mankind so much He allowed His Son, the Lord Jesus Christ, to die on the cross, so that you personally, and all of mankind might be saved!**

6. According to the Bible, when shall those who do not believe on God's Son be condemned? *Read **John 3:18***

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7. If everyone who is not a Christian is condemned, what must happen to a person in order that he may become a Christian? *Read **John 3:3 & 7***

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8. Why do men hate the light that has come into the world? *Read **John 3:19***

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9. What does Jesus Christ call himself? *Read **John 8:12***

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10. How does a person become as the Bible says, "born again"? *Read **John 1:12***

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11. How do we know God will accept us as his children if we ask the Lord to come into our hearts? *Read **John 6:37***

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12. What is the work of God that we need to do? *Read **John 6:29***

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13. According to John 14:6, what is the only way to Heaven? *Read **John 14:6***

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14. Who did Simon Peter believe that the Lord Jesus was? *Read **John 6:68-69***

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15. Do you believe that Jesus Christ is God's Son? \_\_\_\_\_

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**Here is a prayer you could pray to God if you have never been saved:**

*“Dear God, I know I have sinned against you and am worthy of eternal judgment. I know that the Lord Jesus died in my place on the cross and paid the full payment for all of my sins, and that He rose from the dead to be my Savior and Lord. I ask you, Lord Jesus, to come into my heart. Save me from my sin and make me your child. Become the Ruler of my life. Amen.”*

16. How do you know that the Lord Jesus will come into your heart if you pray such a prayer? *Read **John 14:14***

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**Jesus said in Revelation 3:20 – “Behold, I stand at the door, and knock: if any man hear My voice, and open the door, I will come in to him, and will sup with him, and he with Me.”**

17. Have you ever asked the Lord Jesus Christ to come into your heart and life, take away your sin, and to become the Lord of your life? *(check one)*

Yes

No

Uncertain

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18. If so, please relate when you did this – not necessarily the day and date, but the circumstances surrounding your conversion and where you were at the time.

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19. Do you believe that the Lord Jesus Christ has come into your heart and life and made you a child of God? *(check one)*

Yes

No

Uncertain

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20. List five verses from the book of John that give Biblical evidence that you are a child of God and have eternal life

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21. Once we really have been saved, can the devil ever get us lost again? Read **Romans 8:34-39** (*check one*)

Yes                                      No                                      Uncertain

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22. Who witnesses with our spirit that we are indeed the children of God? Read **Romans 8:16**

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23. Do you believe you have this witness of God's Holy Spirit in your life? (*check one*)

Yes                                      No                                      Uncertain

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**NOTE: The presence of the Holy Spirit within a believer is recognized by His guidance, help in prayer, conviction regarding sin, spiritual fruit (love, joy, peace, etc.), and spiritual gifts.**

24. Will a born-again person ever lose his salvation? Read **John 10:27-29** (*check one*)

Yes                                      No                                      Uncertain

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**Now that you are a child of God, set aside a certain time each day to read God's Word. (If you don't know where to start, ask your mentor for guidance.)**

24. Will you, before God, promise to make an honest effort to read the Word of God each day? (*check one*)

Yes                                      No                                      Uncertain

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# MEMORIZE THESE VERSES for Lesson One

(pick the translation that works best for you)

**1 Peter 2:2 (KJV)** As newborn babes, desire the sincere milk of the word, that ye may grow thereby:

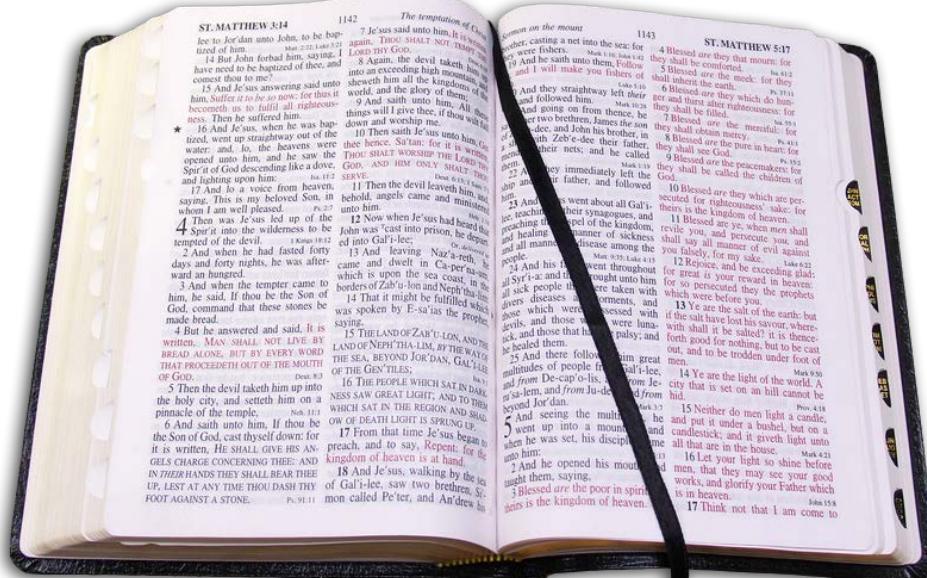
**1 Peter 2:2 (NASB)** Like newborn babies, long for the pure milk of the word, so that by it you may grow in respect to salvation,

**John 10:28 (KJV)** And I give unto them eternal life; and they shall never perish, neither shall any man pluck them out of my hand.

**John 10:28 (NASB)** And I give eternal life to them, and they will never perish; and no one will snatch them out of My hand.

**John 3:36 (KJV)** He that believeth on the Son hath everlasting life: and he that believeth not the Son shall not see life; but the wrath of God abideth on him.

**John 3:36 (NASB)** He who believes in the Son has eternal life; but he who does not obey the Son will not see life, but the wrath of God abides on him.”



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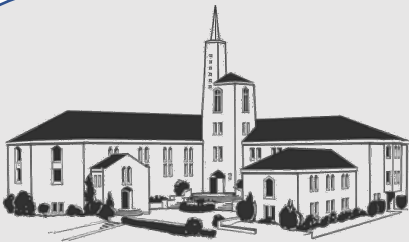
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BAPTIST CHURCH

**Remember:**

*It's important to be at church whenever you are able, so you can continue to grow in the Lord!*

**SUNDAYS**

9:45 am – Bible Study or Sunday School

10:50 am – Morning Worship Service

*Lunch & Mingle*

1:30 pm – Afternoon Church Service

**WEDNESDAYS**

7:00 pm – Midweek Bible Study & Prayer Meeting

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## *OPTIONAL: Extra information*

To be “born again” is not something that we can do for ourselves like being baptized or deciding to “do better.” It is not the same thing as “turning over a new leaf.”

All of us have been **born physically** into the human family (*born of water*).

We need to be **born again spiritually** (*born of the Spirit*) into God’s family.

Read **Ephesians 2:1-3**. How do these verses describe us before we are born again?

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Read **Ephesians 2:4-9**. How do these verses describe us after we are born again?

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### **DO YOU UNDERSTAND WHY WE MUST BE BORN AGAIN?**

- What kind of world did God originally create for mankind?  
**Genesis 2:7-9, 15**
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- What was the only command that God gave to the first man in the Garden of Eden? **Genesis 2:16-17**
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- What did mankind do in the Garden of Eden to change God’s original agreement with human beings? **Genesis 3:1-7**

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**ULTIMATELY, WHAT ADAM AND EVE DID IN THE GARDEN WAS TO **DISOBEY** THE CLEAR COMMAND OF THEIR HOLY CREATOR GOD.**

- Did God make the consequences for disobedience clear? What were the consequences God promised for disobedience? **Genesis 2:17**

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- Do you understand that what Adam and Eve did in the Garden of Eden affected all their descendants? What does **I Corinthians 15:22a** say about the effect of Adam’s sin on us? (Hint: All mankind was “in Adam.”)

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**Yet we cannot place all the blame on our first parents, Adam and Eve. What does the Bible say about each of us?**

- **Romans 3:9-10**

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- **Romans 3:23**

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- **Romans 6:23a**

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- **John 3:36**

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**DON'T DESPAIR! THERE IS HOPE FOR SINNERS! WE MAY BE BORN AGAIN!**

**Romans 8:14-17** says “...As many as are led by the Spirit of God, they are the sons of God. For ye have not received the spirit of bondage again to fear; but ye have received the Spirit of adoption, whereby we cry, Abba, Father. The Spirit itself beareth witness with our spirit, that we are the children of God: And if children, then heirs; heirs of God, and joint-heirs with Christ; if so be that we suffer with him, that we may be also glorified together.”

That Scripture passage tells us that Holy Spirit of God did a work in our heart that helped us to see our need for salvation. When we were saved, we were born and adopted into God’s family. Now we are the children of God, having all of the benefits of that birth and adoption. What a privilege! It is amazing to see how much God loves us!

Read **Romans 8:31-39**. According to these verses, when will God stop loving those who have trusted in Jesus Christ for salvation?

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- Have you believed on and called upon the name of the Lord?
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If you have, then you can have great confidence that you have been “born again” and adopted into God’s family. You are a Christian.

Write down a brief testimony here of how you became a Christian. It will help you to have confidence, and it will help your mentor to understand your thinking, so he or she can help you get grounded in your new faith. It will also help you to be able to tell other people how they can also become children of God.

**What I was like before I became a Christian:**

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**What I did to become a Christian:**

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**How things are different since I became a Christian:**

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JUST AS YOU WILL **ALWAYS** BE A PART OF THE HUMAN FAMILY, BECAUSE YOU WERE BORN INTO THE HUMAN FAMILY; ONCE YOU HAVE BEEN BORN AGAIN INTO GOD'S FAMILY, YOU WILL **ALWAYS** BE A CHILD OF GOD.

One of the biggest struggles new Christians have is that of fearing that they will do something that will cause them to lose their salvation.

- Review **John 3:16-17** again. What kind of life does God promise to those who believe in His only begotten Son?

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- Define what the world *everlasting* means.

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- Define what the world *eternal* means.

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- **Read John 10:27-30** *“My sheep hear my voice, and I know them, and they follow me: And I give unto them eternal life; and they shall never perish, neither shall any man pluck them out of my hand. My Father, which gave them me, is greater than all; and no man is able to pluck them out of my Father's hand. I and my Father are one.”*



- When will those who follow the Good Shepherd perish according to these verses?

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- Who has a grip on those who follow the Good Shepherd, believing in Him for salvation?

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- Who also has a grip on those who follow the Good Shepherd, believing in Him for salvation?

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- Who is able to “pluck” or “snatch” us out of the double-grip of Jesus Christ and God the Father?
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- Let’s take the next logical step. If nobody can snatch us out of the double-grip of Jesus Christ and God the Father, can we accidentally fall out of their hands; are we strong enough to escape their grip?
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- Do you need more assurance? Read **John 6:35-40**. What do these verses say about what God promises to those who come to Him?
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### **DO YOU UNDERSTAND HOW GOD ARRANGED IT SO THAT WE MAY BE BORN AGAIN?**

**Read John 3:16-17** *“For God so loved the world, that He gave His only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in Him should not perish, but have everlasting life. For God sent not His Son into the world to condemn the world; but that the world through Him might be saved.”*

- Whose idea was it to send God’s “only begotten Son” into the world?
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Why did God send His “only begotten Son” into the world?

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Who is God’s “only begotten Son”? (Read **John 20:31**)

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**Carefully read John 1:1-5 & 9-14**

In this passage, Jesus is called “*The Word*”. (Notice that **John 1:14** describes *The Word* as “the only begotten of the Father.”)

- Where was The Word in the beginning of time? (Read **John 1:1-2**)

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- What does **John 1:3** say that The Word was doing with God in the beginning?

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- So, where is the source of all life? (Read **John 1:4**)

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- Another name for Jesus is “*The Light*” (See **John 1:9**). So, “The Light” came into the world that He created. Was “*The Light*” quickly accepted? (See **John 1:10-11**)

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- Not everybody was willing to receive “The Light.” But what is promised to all who receive “The Light?” (Read **John 1:12**)

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- John 1:13 describes the new birth that takes place when a person believes on the name of the Lord Jesus Christ. Is this another physical birth, or is this a spiritual birth? (Read **John 1:13**)

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- **Do you understand that Jesus Christ is “The Light of the World,” and the manifestation of “The Word of God” – that Jesus is God Himself? (Read **John 1:14**)**

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**DO YOU KNOW WHY DID GOD SENT HIS “ONLY BEGOTTEN SON”  
(JESUS CHRIST) INTO THE WORLD?**

**Read Luke 19:10** “...The Son of man is come to seek and to save that which was lost.”

The “Son of Man” describes the transformation that took place when God the Son came to earth and became a man.

- Why did the Son of Man come into the world? (Read **Luke 19:10**)

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- How did the world get “lost”?

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- Why did the world need to be “saved”?

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- Not only did God love the world, His “only begotten Son” also loved the world! (Read **Romans 5:6-9**)

- What did God’s “only begotten Son” do for all the ungodly sinners in this world?

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**JESUS CHRIST WAS OUR **SUBSTITUTE**. HE DIED IN OUR PLACE**

The Death of Jesus Christ satisfied God’s wrath on man’s disobedience.

- Whose sins were paid for through the death of Jesus Christ?  
(Read **I John 2:1-2**)

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**Propitiation** – The quick and easy understanding of this word is the idea of someone saying, “I’ve got you covered” – meaning “I’ve paid the bill.” The cost of our sin (death) has been paid in full through Christ’s death on the cross.

“The word means ‘**appeasement**’ or ‘**satisfaction**.’ The sacrifice of Jesus on the cross satisfied the demands of God’s holiness for the punishment of sin.”

John MacArthur, *The MacArthur Study Bible* (Wheaton, IL: Crossway, 2010).

While the death of Jesus Christ was sufficient to cover the sins of the whole world, only those who are born again can enjoy the benefit of His sacrifice.

- How does a person become a son (*child*) of God? (see **John 1:12-13** and **Romans 10:9-13**)
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**WE CAN BE COMPLETELY CERTAIN THAT WE HAVE BEEN BORN AGAIN!**

The best way to get assurance (certainty) that you have been born again is to **Read the Bible for yourself**. Jesus Himself said in **John 5:39** *“Search the scriptures; for in them ye think ye have eternal life: and they are they which testify of Me.”*

**A GREAT PLACE FOR A NEWBORN CHRISTIAN TO READ  
AND LEARN ABOUT JESUS CHRIST IS IN  
THE GOSPEL OF JOHN.**

- Why is it so important to know Jesus Christ? (see **John 14:6**)
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- What is the only “work” God wants from us according to **John 6:29**?

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- What does Jesus Christ call Himself in **John 8:12**, and what does he promise to those who follow Him?

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- What does Jesus Christ call Himself in **John 10:7-10**, and what does he promise to those who follow Him?

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- What does Jesus Christ call Himself in **John 10:11-15**, and what does he promise to do for those who follow Him?

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- Who did Simon Peter believe that Jesus Christ is? (see **John 6:68-69**)

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- **THE GOSPEL OF JOHN TELLS US MUCH ABOUT THE LIFE, THE MIRACLES, THE DEATH, AND THE RESURRECTION OF JESUS CHRIST. MAKE UP YOUR MIND TO READ AND LEARN OF HIM.**

**John 20:30-31** *“...Many other signs truly did Jesus in the presence of his disciples, which are not written in this book: But these are written, that ye might believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God; and that believing ye might have life through his name.”*

- Do you believe that Jesus Christ is who He said He is? If so, Why? If not, why not?

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