

Passed From Death Unto Life

1 John 3:14 KJV We know that we have passed from death unto life, because we love the brethren. He that loveth not his brother abideth in death.

When we were born into this world, we were born spiritually dead. This means that God's spiritual world was shut out to us because of mankind's sin nature. All of us, as humans, were born into a five-sense world. What we see, smell, touch, taste and hear makes the material world real to us. When a person hears and reads God's words, if they believe them, they can be born again spiritually. God's spiritual world then will become real to them. When this happens to them, they will pass from spiritual death to spiritual life. Then the more they study about God's plan in the Bible, the more they will start seeing themselves as God's children and will start living like Him.

Before Adam sinned in the garden, Adam's spirit was his master. As soon as he sinned, his five senses became his master; and he became spiritually dead. He couldn't experience what God created for him to experience in the spiritual world. But our Father God had a plan, and that plan was to bring mankind back to Holy Spirit living. Let's look at some Scriptures that bear this out.

John 3:3-8 KJV Jesus answered and said unto him, Verily, verily, I say unto thee, Except a man be born again, he cannot see the kingdom of God. [4] Nicodemus saith unto Him, How can a man be born when he is old? can he enter the second time into his mother's womb, and be born? [5] 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. [7] Marvel not that I said unto thee, Ye must be born again. [8] The wind bloweth where it listeth, and thou hearest the sound thereof, but canst not tell whence it cometh, and whither it goeth: so is every one that is born of the Spirit.

Being born again is supernatural; God creates us as new spirit beings in Christ.

Ephesians 2:10 KJV For we are his workmanship, created in Christ Jesus unto good works, which God hath before ordained that we should walk in them.

2 Corinthians 5:17 KJV Therefore if any man be in Christ, he is a new creature: old things are passed away; behold, all things are become new.

Now that we are new spiritual beings in Christ, we must grow up spiritually.

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.

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

Babies in the natural have five senses when they are born, and these five senses give them the ability to develop and learn. In our new spiritual lives, we have been given faith to grow and develop. Faith controls the 'senses' of our reborn spirit. We actually can see and hear God through faith. Faith is the key that opens God's spiritual world to us, and this faith is given to us through the Word of God.

Romans 10:17 KJV So then faith cometh by hearing, and hearing by the Word of God.

Mark 9:23 KJV Jesus said unto him, If thou canst believe, all things are possible to him that believeth.

Once we start living by faith, we can experience what God experiences; and we will no longer live bound to just our five-sense world. We will be able live just like our Father God while we are in our physical bodies. I hope you will come to Church Services this Sunday and really let your Father God teach you about your new life in Christ.

Love you,
Pastor Paul