

## Are you seeking truth?



Did you know that no book has more fulfilled prophecy than the Christian Bible? That means that the things written in the Holy Bible have been coming to pass for thousands of years. Be that as it may, most people treat the Bible as a holy relic or idol and its truths as myths or fairy tales. I hear basketball fans saying that a certain player is the truth, but that does not give me any comfort when my life is spinning out of control. Jesus Christ said that *He* is the Truth; but not only that, He said,

*“I am the way, the truth, and the life: no man cometh unto the Father, but by me.” John 14:6*

This truth brings life and direction back to my Creator; now that is worth investigating!

## Prayer for New Life

Dear Lord Jesus, I want to be restored. I want to be in God and I want Him to be in me. I want to understand who You created me to be and how to get there. Open my eyes to see Your Kingdom and be my King. Lord, fill the void in my heart with new life and restore my joy. Forgive me of the sins I have committed in my carnal state and cleanse me of all unrighteousness. I commit my life to You, to learn to live as You desire and I forsake my old way of living. Have Your way in me, Amen.

**If you prayed this prayer, please contact us so we can begin discipleship.**

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### Words to Live By...



*The entrance of thy words giveth light; it giveth understanding unto the simple.*

*Psalm 119:130 KJV*

We believe that the absence of Light allows darkness to prevail in this world. For that reason, we offer you these words of comfort in hope that you will receive them and allow new Light to enter your soul from above.



You must be born again.

## Alive in the Spirit?

America has been called a Christian nation, and it is true that much of our culture has been influenced by the Christian faith. That would be good except Jesus did not challenge us to be *influenced* by His Truth. He states, "You must be born again." John 3:7

To be born plainly means to let life come forth. As life came forth from your mother's womb at your physical birth, the spiritual life that has been dormant within you must also come forth unto new life. This was explained to Nicodemus by Jesus Himself in the third chapter of John (please read). We find that men must be born of water (natural birth) and of the Spirit (born again, spiritual birth). In order to see the realm in which our creator dwells, we must come alive in the spirit. This is the mystery that evades most people. You must make a decision to pursue new life which will require giving up the old life that you once cherished. The invitation is not to save that old life. Please read Matthew 16:25.

## Choose Life!

You may be thinking that you feel quite alive already and that you feel most alive when you have your addiction of choice. People medicate themselves with sex, violence, anger, self-pity, money, alcohol, mind altering drugs and other things that oppose God's will. *Jesus said, "The thief comes only to steal and kill and destroy; I have come that they may have life, and have it to the full."* John 10:10 NIV

The fact that we can live in sin and feel alive should be an indication that we are dead to God. When you are truly alive in the Lord you will be grieved by the presence of sin in your life; your righteous conscious will reflect the nature of your Father upon the darkness that once filled you.

To be born again means to become alive to the Father now...today. I think that most people have a misconception that Christ Jesus is offering them life that will come into effect when they die, like those extended warranties we buy in the store that don't kick in until the warranty from the manufacturer ends. You go to the store thinking that they are going to replace your gadget and they tell you to send it back to the manufacturer. What a letdown. Fortunately, the born again life begins on the day that you make a decision to receive it and trade your old life in for a new life in Christ.

This new life opens you up to a new realm where God the Father, Creator of the Universe is in control. This realm operates on a different set of rules and a new way of thinking. To live in this realm requires a surrender to all of your preconceived notions about life, its purpose and its meaning.

You may be asking, "Why should I choose this new life that you speak of?" The answer is simple; unless you are born again you cannot see the Kingdom of God. This means you cannot see things the way your creator sees them. Therefore, you will not be able to see the destiny that you were created to fulfill, nor will you be able to discern what is right or wrong for your life. It means that you will not be able to access the provisions that your Heavenly Father has set aside for you to fulfill your purpose.

We are destined to rule and reign with Christ. Working with Christ requires that we communicate with God. Only those born again in the Spirit can hear God and see what He is saying. How long will we straddle the fence trying to peer into the things of God in the Spirit while holding firmly to the things in this physical world? We must either trust God or put our trust in the created things. If we say we trust God (or want to trust Him) we must choose new life with Him, walk away from the world corrupted by sin, forsake our fleshly desires that lead to destruction and allow God to show us how to really enjoy the life He has given to us.