

The Holy Spirit (continued)

In the preceding lessons on the Holy Spirit, we have seen the working of the Spirit prior to conversion. We will now speak of the Spirit's work at conversion. By conversion, we are recognizing the entire process of a sinner (unbeliever) becoming a Christian (believer).

What, then, does happen when a sinner makes the transition to a saved state? First, the sinner is justified or forgiven of his sins. (1 Cor. 6:11; Col. 2:13). The sinner's legal obligation to the law is paid. The debt is paid. Second, as the sinner becomes justified, he is also regenerated or born again. (Titus 3:5; Col. 2:13). The sinner is now alive toward God. Third, the sinner at this time also undergoes initial sanctification. This is a one-time event that the sinner is no longer a member of Satan's kingdom but is now a member of God's kingdom. (1 Cor. 6:11; Col. 1:13). The imagery is one of adoption. Now we are adopted into God's family! (Gal. 4:5-7; Eph. 1:5).

We will now focus on the regeneration at conversion. In a way, God becomes the great physician. We receive antibiotics when we are sick. When we are sin-sick, we receive the working of God. Ezekiel 36:26 mentions this as a heart transplant: "Moreover, I will give you a new heart and put a new spirit within you; and I will remove the heart of stone from your flesh and give you a heart of flesh." The heart of stone is the one calcified by sin.

In John 3:3-8, Jesus speaks of regeneration as a new birth, being 'born again' (1 Peter 1:3, 23). 2 Cor. 5:17 depicts a new-life nature of regeneration in that we are *a new creation*.

Note: All these images, analogies – new life, new birth, new creation – show regeneration AND this shows that it is an act that can be accomplished only by God.

TBC

--In Him, *Gary*.

Medical & Prayer Needs

American Military

Kathy Carter – Chemo cream.

Tom Carter – MRI.

The Davis Family – Prayers.

Amy Larson – Head injury. Sue Buck's sister. At Metro rehab.

Morrison – Ill.

Nancy Scarborough – Cancer. Drs. 5/19.

Extended Prayer List:

Susan Buck, Lloyd Cisco, Adele Gall (Lisa's mother), Joyce Herring (Kathy L. sister), Jessi Hruss (Kathy Carter's niece), Barb King (Eileen's niece), Alice Moreland, Haliee O'Connor (Eileen's niece).

Notes

Fellowship Meal for widows.

May 17th. A.M. We will honor our widows. Ham, chicken, pies and drinks provided. Bring a side dish.

Ladies Class

May 21st, 5 PM.

Men's Breakfast

June 6th at Cracker Barrel. 8:00 AM. All are welcome. A sign-up sheet will be posted on the bulletin board. Must sign-up by June 3rd.

Ladies Meeting

June 7th, 4:30.

Men's Meeting

June 7th, 4:30.

June Fellowship

June 14th. A.M. Potluck. Bring side dish.

NOTE: Seamstresses needed! If you can help make quilt tops, packets are available in the lobby. Material, thread, and instructions provided. Any questions, ask Noel or Nancy.

Trivia Answers & Scriptures are given to Gary on paper with your name OR by texting him. C'mon, join in!

Trivia: According to Leviticus 16, what happened to the scapegoat (KJV, NIV) after it was presented to the Lord? **Answer:** Let go into the wilderness. Vs. 22. **Answerers:** Roger & Mary Davis, Sharon Woodrum, Terry & Gail Spriestersbach, Eileen Kerns, Randy & Laura Kuhn, Anita Mattingly, Nancy Scarborough, Aiden Scarborough, Linda Ropog, Kathy Lindsey, Noel Letso, Becky Kois.

New Trivia: No new trivia this week. (I hear the disappointment.) New challenges coming in two weeks. Thanks!

May Birthdays & Anniversaries

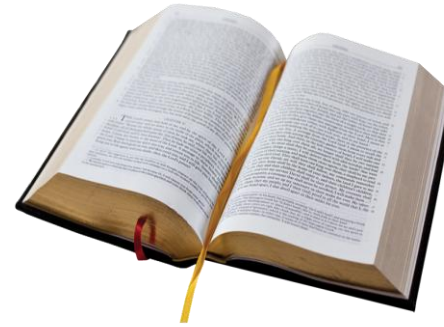
Kendall Taylor	11
Diana Wirth	14
Jill Spriestersbach	15
Sharon Woodrum	20
Olivia Scarborough	22
Abigail Gastarini	23
Jessi Hruss	23
Mary Ann Priddy	24
Joe Distel	25
Sarah Baker	27
Margarita Jordan	30

Joe & Jill Spriestersbach	16
Bill & Rosa Morrison	31

Widows & Widowers

Lola Anderson, Kimber Banks, Joyce Brewer, Frances Brown, Kathy Carter, Linda Caldwell, Joyce Fetzer, Margaret Jordan, Elaine Leonhardt, Kathy Lindsey, Maxine Mathes, Alice Moreland, Mary Ann Priddy, Shirley Sarver, Dora Talbert, Diana Wirth, Sharon Woodrum.

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Who is wise and understanding among you? By his good conduct let him show his works in the meekness of wisdom.

James 3:13. ESV.

All the churches of Christ greet you. Romans 16:16.

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Assembly Times

Sun. Bible Class	10:00 am
Sun. Worship	11:00 am
Sun. PM Worship	6:00 pm
Wed. Bible Study	7:00 pm

WELCOME

We welcome our visitors to the worship services today as our honored guests. Please fill out a Visitors Card and put it in the offering plate. We hope & pray you will return soon.