

# Another Life

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which is born of the Spirit is spirit.

— John 3:6

- Born of the Spirit
- What does the Bible call this second life?
- In our spirit

**Our  
Human  
Spirit**

# Born of the Spirit

What is your understanding of how one becomes a Christian?

John 3:6 says, “That which is born of the flesh is flesh, and that which is **born of the Spirit** is spirit.”

**What is the difference between being born of the flesh and being born of the Spirit?**

- One is from our human parents
- One is from God the Spirit
- One is first, and the other is second. Our first birth versus our second birth.
- Some people call this second birth being born again.

**What does it mean to be born again?**

- Being **born** is to receive a life.
- Being born **again** is to receive **another** life, a **second** life.
- The Bible uses the word **born** because it is not imploring us simply to change our mind or behavior, but to receive **another** life.

**To be born again is to receive a new life that we did **not** have before**

- 1 John 5:12 says He who has the Son has the life. He who does not have the Son of God does **not** have the life.
- This new life is God Himself in His Son, Jesus Christ, coming into us as the Spirit.

# What does the Bible call this second life?

Knowing which *life* the Bible is talking about makes a big difference in our understanding.

See if you can find other verses to check what kind of life is used in each case.

**In the original Greek of the New Testament, three different words are used for the English word *life***

## **Bios**

- Definition: God's gift of **physical** or **biological** life.
- And that which fell into the thorns, these are those who heard and, going away, are utterly choked by anxieties and riches and pleasures of **this life**, and do not bring any fruit to maturity. – Luke 8:14
- The physical life is for us to contact the physical world.

## **Psuche**

- Definition: referring to the soul life, or the life of the **soul**.
- In the King James Version of the Bible, Matthew 16:25 says "For whosoever will save his **life** shall lose it." This word "**life**" here in the ancient Greek text is referring to the soul life.
- In the Recovery Version of the Bible, Matthew 16:25 says "For whoever wants to save his soul-life shall lose it; but whoever loses his **soul-life** for My sake shall find it.
- The Lord Jesus commands us to lose our soul life.

## **Zoe**

- Definition: The divine, eternal, uncreated life of God.
- John 3:16 says, "God so loved the world that He gave His only begotten Son, that everyone who believes into Him would not perish but would have eternal **life**."
- John 1:4 says, "In Him was **life**, and the **life** was the light of men."
- This divine life is God Himself. When we are born again, the "new life" we receive, is God's life, which is God Himself.

# In our spirit

Daily prayer to contact the Lord Jesus who is in our spirit:

“Oh, Lord Jesus, I love You. I just love You.”

**John 3:6 says, “That which is born of the flesh is flesh, and that which is born of the Spirit *is spirit*.”**

- In the previous Bible study we saw that God put the human spirit in us.
- The lower-case ***spirit*** in John 3:6 refers to our human spirit.
- In what part of our being are we born again? – our human spirit
- Before we are born again, there is no life in our spirit.
- When we are born again, God as the eternal life comes into our **human spirit**.

**We don’t have to wait until we die to get this new life!**

- When we believe, we receive (John 1:12).
- It is very simple – with a believing heart, just call “**Oh, Lord Jesus!**”

**And behold I am with you all the days until the consummation of the age. – Matthew 28:20**

**The Lord be with your spirit. Grace be with you. – 2 Timothy 4:22**

- Where does the Lord live? – our human spirit
- Where is the Lord Jesus right now? – our human spirit