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REGENERATION

Important Definition

Regeneration: An act of God in which he imparts _____
_____ to us.

Regeneration in the Bible

- When we were _____ in our trespasses, [God] made us _____ together with Christ. Ephesians 2.5
- And you, who were _____ in your trespasses ... God made _____. Colossians 2.13

Pictures of Regeneration in the Bible

- The _____ of a Baby
 - 'You must be _____.' John 3.7
- A Heart _____
 - And I will give you a new heart, and a new spirit I will put within you. And _____ the heart of stone from your flesh and _____ a heart of flesh. I will put my Spirit within you. Ezekiel 36.26-27
- The Blowing _____
 - The _____ where it wishes, and you hear its sound, but you do not know where it comes from or where it goes. So it is with everyone _____ of the Spirit. John 3.8

Things to know about Regeneration

- It's _____.
- It happens in an _____.
- It happens _____.
- It fits with the rest of _____.

The Results of Regeneration.

- _____ ... I believe Jesus is my savior.
- _____ ... I love God and others more.
- _____ ... I'm sinning less and obeying more.
- _____ ... I overcome pressures and temptations.
- _____ ... I am delivered from Satan.
- _____ ... I demonstrate the fruit of the Spirit.

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STUDY QUESTIONS

These questions are meant to be done by yourself or together with a family member or friend, then discussed at your small group during the week.

1. Read John 3.1-8. Imagine being Nicodemus and hearing these words for the first time. What would you think? How would you respond?
2. Review all the verses on your handout. Write down some observations about this part of our salvation we call regeneration.
3. Of the three pictures, the birth of a baby, a heart transplant, and the blowing wind, which helps you the most to understand regeneration?
4. What do you think about regeneration being totally a work of God that you contributed nothing to? How does it make you feel toward yourself? How does it make you feel toward God?
5. What are some results you can expect to see in a person God has made alive? Are you seeing these things in your own life? Which ones?

As a group, spend time in prayer asking Jesus to bless this series of studies and bring you to a deeper understanding and appreciation for your salvation in Jesus.