



Major Bible Themes

52 VITAL DOCTRINES OF THE SCRIPTURE
SIMPLIFIED AND EXPLAINED

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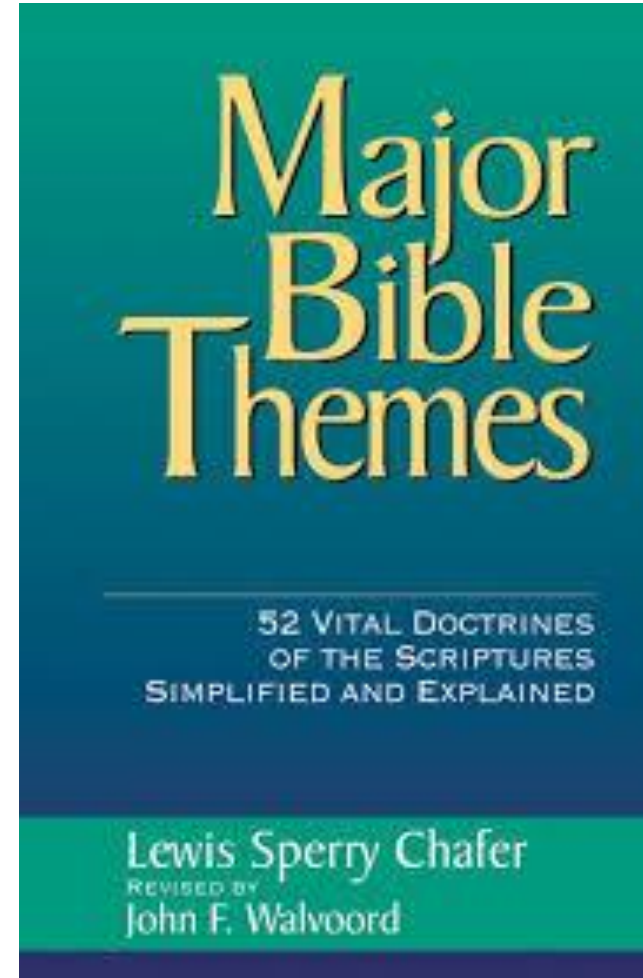
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Chapter Sixteen : God the Holy Spirit: His Regeneration

Step # One

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Find the Outline



MBT Chapter Sixteen Outline

A. Regeneration Defined

B. Regeneration by the Holy Spirit

C. Eternal Life imparted by Regeneration

D. Results of Regeneration

MBT Chapter Sixteen Outline

Understand It



Importance of Regeneration

As the Christian's life of faith begins with being born again, regeneration is one of the fundamental doctrines in relation to salvation. Accurate definition of this work of the Spirit and an understanding of its relation to the whole Christian life are important to understand that this new life is the pattern of the perfect humanity of Christ and as such is free from sin. It is Christ in us. It is the new desire within a Christian to live Godly. It is that glorified human spirit that will be free from sin in heaven.

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A. Regeneration Defined

In Titus 3:5 the statement is made, "Not by works of righteousness which we have done, but according to His mercy He saved us, by the washing of regeneration, and renewing of the Holy Ghost," On the basis of this text, the word "regeneration" has been chosen by theologians to express the concept of new life, new birth, spiritual resurrection, the new creation, and, in general, a reference to the new supernatural life that believers receive as sons of God.

It means the origination of the eternal life which comes into the believer in Christ at the moment of faith, the instantaneous change from a state of spiritual death to a state of spiritual life.

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B. Regeneration by the Holy Spirit



By its nature, regeneration is a work of God and aspects of its truth are stated in many passages. According to John 1:13, the regenerated one is "born, not of blood, nor of the will of the flesh, nor of the will of man, but of God." It is compared to spiritual resurrection in several passages. It is also compared to creation in that it is a creative act of God.

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B. Regeneration by the Holy Spirit (cont)

All three persons of the Trinity are involved in the regeneration of the believer. The Father is related to regeneration. Jesus Christ is frequently revealed to be involved in. It seems, however, that as in other works of God where all three persons are involved, the Holy Spirit is specifically the Regenerator. A parallel may be observed in the birth of Christ in which God became His Father, the life of Son was in Christ and yet He was conceived of the Holy Spirit.

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C. Eternal Life imparted by Regeneration



The central concept of regeneration is that a believer who formerly was spiritually dead now has received eternal life. Three figures are used to describe this.

1. The idea of being born again, or the figure of rebirth. In Christ's conversation with Nicodemus He said, "Ye must be born again,"
2. The idea of spiritual resurrection, a believer in Christ is declared to be "alive from the dead"
3. The idea of the new creation, the believer is exhorted to "put on the new man, which after God is created in righteousness and true holiness"

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C. Eternal Life imparted by Regeneration (cont)

Likewise, regeneration should be distinguished from the experience which follows. Regeneration is instantaneous and is inseparable from salvation. A person genuinely saved will have a subsequent spiritual experience, but the experience is the evidence of regeneration, not the regeneration itself

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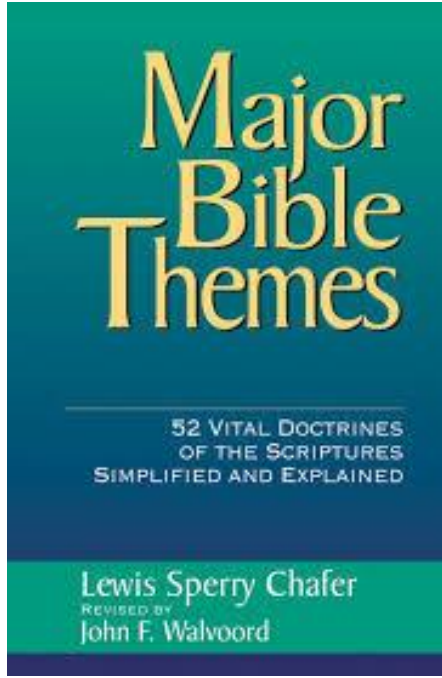
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D. Results of Regeneration



1. Because of the new nature, a believer in Christ may often experience a drastic change in his life, in his attitude toward God, and in his capacity to have victory over sin.
2. The new life received in regeneration gives the believer new capacity for experience. Once he was blind, now he can see.
3. It is the ground for eternal security. (The new birth is eternal life)

The next principle is to build a physical file cabinet



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What does the Bible
teach about the
Holy Spirit's
Regeneration?

Chapter 16 :
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write a study explaining the
Regeneration of the Holy
Spirit

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Memorize it

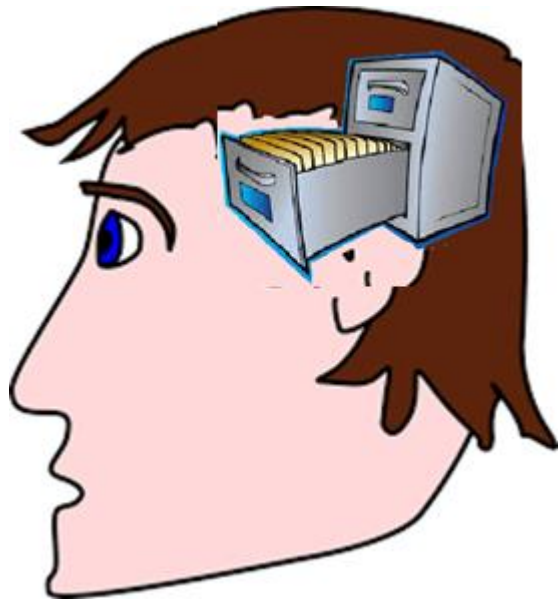


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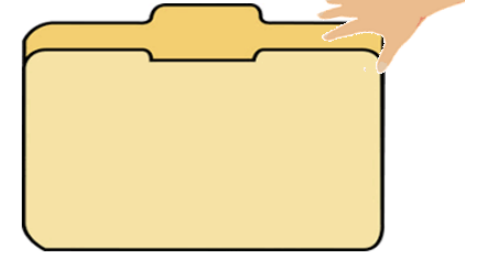
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God the Holy Spirit: His Regeneration

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- B. Regeneration **by the Holy Spirit**
- C. Eternal **Life imparted** by Regeneration
- D. **Results** of Regeneration

To file it...



Write it Down



Underline Main Words...



Step # Two

Read the Section and look up the passages



B. Regeneration by the Holy Spirit

Regeneration is a work of God

Joh 1:13 *Which were born, not of blood, nor of the will of the flesh, nor of the will of man, but of God.*

Joh 3:6 *That which is born of the flesh is flesh; and that which is born of the Spirit is spirit.*

Joh 5:21 *For as the Father raiseth up the dead, and quickeneth them; even so the Son gives life to whom he will.*

Rom 6:13 *Neither yield ye your members as instruments of unrighteousness unto sin: but yield yourselves unto God, as those that are alive from the dead, and your members as instruments of righteousness unto God.*

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

B. Regeneration by the Holy Spirit

Regeneration is a work of God (cont)

Eph 2:5 *Even when we were dead in sins, hath raised us together with Christ, (by grace ye are saved;)*

Eph 4:24 *And that ye put on the new man, which after God is created in righteousness and true holiness.*

Tit 3:5 *Not by works of righteousness which we have done, but according to his mercy he saved us, by the washing of regeneration, and renewing of the Holy Ghost;*

Jas 1:18 *Of his own will begat he us with the word of truth, that we should be a kind of firstfruits of his creatures.*

1Pe 1:23 *Being born again, not of corruptible seed, but of incorruptible, by the word of God, which liveth and abideth for ever.*

B. Regeneration by the Holy Spirit (cont)

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

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

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Jesus Christ is frequently revealed to be involved in regeneration

2Co 5:18 *And all things are of God, who hath reconciled us to himself by Jesus Christ, and hath given to us the ministry of reconciliation;*

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D. Results of Regeneration

1. Because of the new nature, a believer in Christ may often experience a drastic change in his life, in his attitude toward God, and in his capacity to have victory over sin.

Rom 7:22 *For I delight in the law of God after the inward man:*

2. The new life received in regeneration gives the believer new capacity for experience. Once he was blind, now he can see.

Rom 8:11 *But if the Spirit of him that raised up Jesus from the dead dwell in you, he that raised up Christ from the dead shall also quicken your mortal bodies by his Spirit that dwelleth in you.*

1Co 2:16 *For who hath known the mind of the Lord, that he may instruct him? But we have the mind of Christ.*

D. Results of Regeneration (cont)

3. It is the ground for eternal security. (The new birth is eternal life)

John 10:28 *And I give unto them eternal life; and they shall never perish, neither shall any man pluck them out of my hand.*

John 11:26 *And whosoever liveth and believeth in me shall never die. Believest thou this?*

Step # Three

Memorize one Passage per section

Learn general and specific later.

- Highlight key words
- Understand difficult words and the meaning



Read out loud 5 times what you are trying to memorize



Write the verse on paper or put the verse into you phone



Step # Four Take the Test at the end of the chapter

**Chapter 16:
God the Holy Spirit: His Regeneration**

1. What is meant by regeneration?

It means the origination of the eternal life which comes into the believer in Christ at the moment of faith, the instantaneous change from a state of spiritual death to a state of spiritual life.

2. What important passages on regeneration are found in the New Testament, and what in general do they teach?

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3. How are the three persons of the Trinity involved in the regeneration of the believer?

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4. Describe regeneration as it is revealed in the figure of rebirth

We were born physically into Adam's family and we are born a second time spiritually into God's family

5. Why is the new birth called a spiritual resurrection?

We were dead now we are made alive

Eph 2:5 *Even when we were dead in sins, hath raised us together with Christ, (by grace ye are saved;)*

5. Why is the new birth called a spiritual resurrection?

As the body is dead and requires resurrection so the human spirit is dead requiring resurrection

6. How is the fact that a believer in Christ is a new creature a result of regeneration?

It is the regeneration that makes him a new creative act of God in which old things are passed away and all things become new.

7. Why is it impossible for the human will in itself to produce new birth?

Only God has the power

8. In what sense is regeneration not an experience?

A person genuinely saved will have a subsequent spiritual experience, but the experience is the evidence of regeneration, not the regeneration itself.

9. How is experience related to regeneration?

In a sense it is possible to say that we experience the new birth, but what we mean is that we experience the results of the new birth.

10. How is the new nature a result of regeneration?

What is regenerated is the new nature

11. What new experiences will come to a regenerated believer?

Once he was blind, now he can see. Once he was dead, now he is alive to spiritual things. Once he was estranged from God and out of fellowship; now he has a basis for fellowship with God and can receive the ministry of the Holy Spirit.

12. How does regeneration relate to eternal security?

The very nature of eternal life and the new birth forbids a reversal of this work of God. It is first of all a work of God, not of man, not dependent on any human worthiness.

As natural birth cannot be reversed, so spiritual birth cannot be reversed; once effected, it assures the believer that God will always be his Heavenly Father

The new birth as an act of creation is another evidence that once accomplished it continues forever. Man cannot uncreate himself. It is eternal life