

Born of the

**SPIRIT**



**John 3:1-8**



## John 3:1 - 4: the kingdom of God

He was in the world, and the world was made through Him, yet the world did not know Him. He came to His own, and His own people did not receive Him. But to all who did receive Him, who believed in His name, He gave the right to become children of God, **who were born**, not of blood nor of the will of the flesh nor of the will of man, but of God.

## John 1:10-13

Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, he is a **new creation**. The old has passed away; behold, the new has come.

## 2 Corinthians 5:17



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At that time the disciples came to Jesus, saying, "**Who is the greatest in the kingdom of heaven?**" And calling to Him a child, He put him in the midst of them and said, "Truly, I say to you, unless you **turn and become like children**, you will never enter the kingdom of heaven. Whoever humbles himself like this child is the greatest in the kingdom of heaven.

**Matthew 18:1-4**





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I will take you from the nations and gather you from all the countries and bring you into your own land. I will **sprinkle clean water** on you, and you shall be clean from all your uncleannesses, and from all your idols I will **cleanse** you. And I will give you a **new heart**, and a **new spirit** I will put within you. And I will remove the heart of stone from your flesh and give you a **heart of flesh**. And I will put My **Spirit within you**, and cause you to walk in My statutes and be careful to obey My rules.

## Ezekiel 36:24-27



John 3:5 - 8: water & spirit

1 Peter 1:22-23 Having **purified** your souls by your obedience to the truth for a sincere brotherly love, love one another earnestly from a **pure heart**, since you have been **born again**, not of perishable seed but of imperishable, through the living and abiding **word of God**;

Ephesians 5:25-26 Husbands, love your wives, as Christ loved the church and gave Himself up for her, that He might sanctify her, having **cleansed her by the washing of water with the word**,

Titus 3:4-5 But when the goodness and loving kindness of God our Savior appeared, He saved us, not because of works done by us in righteousness, but according to His own mercy, by the **washing of regeneration and renewal of the Holy Spirit**,



## John 3:5 - 8: water & spirit

The Greek term *pneuma*, as well as its Hebrew counterpart *ruah*, means both “wind” and “spirit.”

### Examples in Hebrew:

Ecclesiastes 11:5 As you do not know the way the **spirit** comes to the bones in the womb of a woman with child, so you do not know the work of God who makes everything.

Ezekiel 37:1-14. “Breath” is given to the very dry bones. The same Hebrew word translated “breath/wind” is now translated “Spirit” in verse 14.



John 3:5 - 8: water & spirit

Do others see the Spirit move YOU? Romans 8:9-14

Galatians 2:20 I have been crucified with Christ. It is no longer I who live, but **Christ who lives in me**. And the life I now live in the flesh I live by faith in the Son of God, who loved me and gave Himself for me.





Our CHALLENGE for this week

What's **one way** the Spirit can move you this week?