

ANSWERING THE CALL

WHAT IS YOUR PART?

In any relationship, four things are vitally important—Communication, Truth, Trust & Commitment. For you in your new walk with God, the same is true. God wants us to continue to follow Him and His commandments. This means to put God first in every aspect of your life. We are told in Hebrews 10:25 not to miss the gathering together of Christians. Sunday meetings are a vital part of growing and for encouragement, as well as forming lasting friendships with others. Communication with God is important through prayer and reading His Word -the Bible. What a privilege we have of being able to thank God for what He has done and bringing our needs to Him, knowing that He hears our requests! Make Jesus a part of your life in ALL that you do. Include Him into every area of your home, work and leisure activities. God is interested in you! You will find your new adventure in Christian life exciting and challenging!

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born again





BORN AGAIN

WHAT HAPPENS WHEN WE ARE BORN AGAIN?

Born again, saved, receiving Christ - these mean the same thing - that you have responded to God's promptings and have accepted Jesus Christ as your Lord and Saviour.

The Bible says that prior to receiving Christ, you and I are separated from God by the barrier of our sin. When we are born again, this barrier is removed by the blood of Jesus and we can enjoy friendship and fellowship with God. Your birth into this world made you part of your earthly family (parents, brothers and sisters). In the same way, when you accept Jesus Christ you are born into God's family. He is our Father and there are millions of brothers and sisters in Christ all around the world.

WHAT HAPPENS TO ME NOW?

Probably one of the most well known verses from the Bible is John 3:16, "For God so loved the world that He gave His only begotten Son, that whosoever believes in Him should not perish, but have everlasting life."

God did not save you because you were good but because He loves you. Perhaps there were events that drew you to this point in your life, leading you to your salvation. This was the love of God drawing you, not coincidence. It is God's will that no-one should perish or be lost. He has a purpose and a destiny for you (Jeremiah 29:11). God has done His part and now you in turn have done yours by accepting His Son, Jesus Christ into your life and realising that He has forgiven you of your sin, because of His death on the cross.
John 3:16, 1 Timothy 2:4-6

WHAT ARE THE RESULTS OF MY DECISION?

There are so many benefits of being born again. Listed below are some of your spiritual blessings found in Christ!

1. I am God's Child – John 1:12
2. All my sins are forgiven; the past is gone - 1 John 2:12
3. I'm able to approach God with confidence and boldness - Hebrews 4:16, 1 John 5:14
4. I have peace - Philippians 4:7
5. I am set free - John 8:32
6. I am dead to sin - Romans 6:2
7. I have victory in all things - Romans 8:37
8. Know that wisdom is such to your soul, if you find it there will be a future & your hope will not be cut off - Proverbs 24:14
9. I have a place in heaven, not hell - 1 John 5:11-12
10. I have an eternal friendship with God - 1 John 1:3
11. The New Birth — There was a man of the Pharisees named Nicodemus, a ruler of the Jews. This man came to Jesus by night and said to Him, "Rabbi, we know that you are a teacher come from God; for no one can do the signs that You do unless God is with him." Jesus answered and said to him, "Most assuredly, I say to you, unless one is **born again**, he cannot see the kingdom of God."... -John 3.

