

REGENERATION: THE NEW BIRTH

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I. REGENERATION IS A _____ OF GOD'S _____ - John 1:12-13

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II. REGENERATION IS THE _____ OF HUMAN BEINGS IN _____ - Ephesians 1:3-10

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III. REGENERATION BEGINS WITH THE _____ OF THE _____ - John 16:7-8

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IV. REGENERATION _____ THE _____ OF MAN- Romans 10:8-13

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- _____ - Genesis 4:3-7
- _____ - Joshua 7

- _____ - 2 Samuel 11-12; Psalm 32
- _____ 55:6-7
- _____ 10:8-13

PRACTICAL CONCLUSIONS

- Because regeneration is wholly the work of God, we _____ upon Him for our _____.

“You contribute nothing to your salvation except the sin that made it necessary.”— Jonathan Edwards

- Because regeneration is wholly the work of God, we _____ upon God’s grace as we _____ the lost.

1 Corinthians 3:6–7 ESV

“I planted, Apollos watered, but God gave the growth.

So neither he who plants nor he who waters is anything, but only God who gives the growth.”

- Because repentance and faith are required, we must do _____ than simply _____ the Gospel.

Acts 20:21 ESV

“testifying both to Jews and to Greeks of repentance toward God and of faith in our Lord Jesus Christ.”