



BIBLE LIFE OVERCOMERS MINISTRY

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YOU MUST BE BORN AGAIN

The New Birth and the Kingdom of God

KEY SCRIPTURE
John 3:3

COME TO CHRIST - DISCIPLESHIP MANUAL

WHERE DISCIPLES ARE MADE

HOW TO USE THIS GUIDE

This manual is designed for personal discipleship, mentoring, or a small group. Move prayerfully and do not rush merely to finish pages.

1. READ PRAYERFULLY Ask the Holy Spirit to help you understand Scripture.	2. STUDY EVERY REFERENCE Open your Bible and read the verses around each passage.
3. ANSWER HONESTLY Allow truth to examine your heart.	4. PRAY AND APPLY Turn insight into immediate obedience.

LESSON OVERVIEW

Jesus Christ said, “Ye must be born again.” The new birth is not a second physical birth. It is new life given by God through His Word and the Holy Spirit. A person who is born of God believes in Jesus Christ, receives a new heart, becomes a child of God, and begins to live a changed life.

LEARNING OBJECTIVES

- Understand why Jesus said we must be born again
- Learn what it means to be born of water and of the Spirit
- See how God gives new life through His Word
- Recognise the Bible’s signs of a person born of God

PRAY BEFORE YOU BEGIN

Father, help me understand Your Word. Show me the truth about Jesus Christ, correct every wrong belief, and help me to believe and obey. Amen.

STUDY COMMITMENT

I will read every passage carefully, answer honestly, allow Scripture to correct me, and act on the truth God shows me.

CHAPTER 1**YOU MUST BE BORN AGAIN****SEARCH THE SCRIPTURES**

John 3:1-8

Nicodemus was a ruler of the Jews and a teacher, yet Jesus told him, “Except a man be born again, he cannot see the kingdom of God.” Nicodemus thought Jesus meant another physical birth. Jesus showed him that everyone needs a birth given by God in order to enter God’s kingdom.

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CHAPTER TRUTH

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DISCUSS AND OBEY

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2. What would obedience to this truth look like this week?
3. How does this truth lead me to trust, love, or follow Jesus Christ more fully?

REFLECTION & PRAYER

Where does this truth confront my present life? Pray specifically, using the language and priorities of the passages.

CHAPTER 2

WHY EVERY PERSON NEEDS NEW LIFE

SEARCH THE SCRIPTURES

Romans 3:23; Ephesians 2:1-5; John 5:24

All have sinned, and people are dead in trespasses and sins. A person can be alive in the body but without the life that comes from God. Religion, education, family background, and good behaviour cannot replace this life. God must make the sinner alive with Christ.

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CHAPTER 3**BORN OF WATER AND OF THE SPIRIT**

SEARCH THE SCRIPTURES
John 3:5-8; Ezekiel 36:25-27; Titus 3:5

Jesus said, "Except a man be born of water and of the Spirit, he cannot enter into the kingdom of God." That which is born of the flesh is flesh, and that which is born of the Spirit is spirit. The work of the Spirit cannot be controlled by man, just as the wind cannot be controlled.

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CHAPTER 4

BORN THROUGH THE WORD OF GOD

SEARCH THE SCRIPTURES

John 3:14-18; 1 Corinthians 15:1-4; James 1:18; 1 Peter 1:23-25

God gives new life through His Word. We are born again by the Word of God, which lives and remains for ever. God brings us forth by the word of truth. The Word tells us that Jesus Christ died for our sins, was buried, and rose again. Whoever believes in Him has everlasting life.

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CHAPTER 5**A NEW HEART AND GOD'S FAMILY****SEARCH THE SCRIPTURES**

Ezekiel 36:25-27; John 1:12-13; 2 Corinthians 5:17; Romans 8:14-16

God promises a new heart and puts His Spirit within His people. Anyone who is in Christ is a new creature. Those who receive Jesus Christ and believe in His name are given power to become the children of God. This birth is of God, not of human parents or human will.

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CHAPTER 6**SIGNS OF NEW LIFE****SEARCH THE SCRIPTURES**

1 John 2:3-6; 1 John 3:9-14; 1 John 5:1-5

A person born of God believes that Jesus is the Christ, obeys God, loves God's children, does not continue willingly in sin, and overcomes the world through faith. These works do not cause the new birth; they show that God has given new life.

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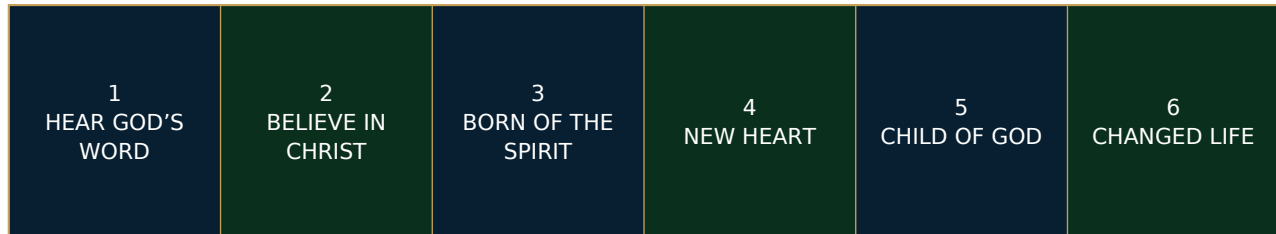
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THE DISCIPLESHIP PATHWAY

This visual is a summary, not a replacement for the Scripture studied in the preceding chapters.



CLARIFY THE DIFFERENCE

What cannot give new birth	What the Bible says
Religious position	Nicodemus still needed new birth
Family background	The new birth is of God
Good behaviour alone	God gives a new heart and new life

BELT OF TRUTH

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PATHWAY RESPONSE

Which stage of this pathway needs my closest attention now? What specific truth must I believe or obey before moving forward?

SEARCH, EXAMINE, AND RESPOND

SEARCH THE SCRIPTURES

Day 1 - Read the key passage and record what it teaches about God.

Day 2 - Re-read the chapter references and identify repeated words.

Day 3 - Trace the lesson theme through the Gospels.

Day 4 - Trace it through Acts and the Epistles.

Day 5 - Explain the gospel connection in your own words.

Day 6 - Discuss your conclusions with a mature believer.

Day 7 - Pray and obey the clearest application.

EXAMINE YOURSELF

1. Have I believed in Jesus Christ and received new life?
2. What signs of a changed life can be seen in me?
3. Am I obeying God's Word or continuing willingly in sin?

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MY PRAYER

Heavenly Father, I receive the truth You have shown me. Grant me repentance, faith, courage, and power through the Holy Spirit to obey Jesus Christ. Amen.

MY RESPONSE AND NEXT STEPS

TRUTH MUST BE BELIEVED, OBEYED, AND LIVED

The goal of this lesson is not information alone. Write a concrete response that can be understood, prayed over, and reviewed with a mature disciple.

I BELIEVE The truth I am receiving:	
I RENOUNCE The false belief or sin I am leaving:	
I WILL OBEY The action I will take:	
I WILL SHARE The person I will encourage:	

NEXT STEPS CHECKLIST

- ☐ Review this lesson within seven days.
- ☐ Discuss your response with a mature believer.
- ☐ Memorize the key Scripture reference.
- ☐ Obey the specific action God has shown you.
- ☐ Continue to the next Come to Christ lesson.

LEADER'S DISCUSSION GUIDE

Ask the learner to explain the lesson without reading. Clarify the gospel, correct misconceptions gently from Scripture, allow honest questions, pray specifically, and agree on one measurable act of obedience.

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