

YT Video- The Holy Spirit In Regeneration

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Text [KJV unless otherwise indicated]

1Pe 1:3 *Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, which according to his abundant mercy hath begotten us again unto a lively hope by the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead,*

1Pe 1:4 *To an inheritance incorruptible, and undefiled, and that fadeth not away, reserved in heaven for you,*

1Pe 1:5 *Who are kept by the power of God through faith unto salvation ready to be revealed in the last time*

I. The Trinity In Our Salvation

- a. Our eternal salvation is the work of the Trinity.
- b. It was planned and initiated by God the Father,

Eph 1:3 *Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who hath blessed us with all spiritual blessings in heavenly places in Christ:*

Eph 1:4 *According as he hath chosen us in him before the foundation of the world, that we should be holy and without blame before him in love:*

Eph 1:5 *Having predestinated us unto the adoption of children by Jesus Christ to himself, according to the good pleasure of his will,*

Eph 1:6 *To the praise of the glory of his grace, wherein he hath made us accepted in the beloved.*

- c. Agreed upon and implemented by Yeshua-God the Son, and

Eph 1:7 *In whom we have redemption through his blood, the forgiveness of sins, according to the riches of his grace;*

Eph 1:8 *Wherein he hath abounded toward us in all wisdom and prudence;*

Eph 1:9 *Having made known unto us the mystery of his will, according to his good pleasure which he hath purposed in himself:*

Eph 1:10 *That in the dispensation of the fulness of times he might gather together in one all things in Christ, both which are in heaven, and which are on earth; even in him:*

Eph 1:11 *In whom also we have obtained an inheritance, being predestinated according to the purpose of him who worketh all things after the counsel of his own will:*

Eph 1:12 *That we should be to the praise of his glory, who first trusted in Christ.*

- d. Imparted to believers by God the Holy Spirit who seals, who is the “downpayment” or guarantor of our promised inheritance and who enables us:

Eph 1:13 *In whom ye also trusted, after that ye heard the word of truth, the gospel of your salvation: in whom also after that ye believed, ye were sealed with that holy Spirit of promise,*

*Eph 1:14 Which is **the earnest of our inheritance until the redemption of the purchased possession,** unto the praise of his glory.*

- e. In every aspect of our salvation, the three Persons are working together
- f. Even when hanging on the cross, the Son was not alone in His vast achievement. It was God who was in Christ reconciling the world unto Himself; the Father was offering His Lamb:

***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.*

*2Co 5:19 To wit, that **God was in Christ, reconciling the world unto himself, not imputing their trespasses unto them; and hath committed unto us the word of reconciliation.***

- g. That sacrifice was offered through the eternal Spirit (Heb 9:14)

***Heb 9:13** For if the blood of bulls and of goats, and the ashes of an heifer sprinkling the unclean, sanctifieth to the purifying of the flesh:*

*Heb 9:14 How much more shall **the blood of Christ, who through the eternal Spirit offered himself without spot to God, purge your conscience from dead works to serve the living God?***

II. **The Holy Spirit's Role In Our Salvation**

- a. Regeneration
- b. Conversion
- c. Justification
- d. Wisdom & Understanding
- e. Conviction of Sins & Chastisement
- f. Perseverance
- g. Sanctification
- h. Spiritual Gifts
- i. Fruits of the Spirit

III. **Regeneration**

- a. Born from above:

Joh 3:3** Jesus answered and said unto him, Verily, verily, I say unto thee, Except a man be **born again,** he **cannot see the kingdom of God.

***G509:** anōthen*

an'-o-then

*From G507; from above; by analogy from the first; by implication anew: - **from above,** again, from the beginning (very first), the top.*

Note: a new birth, not a rebirth as Nicodemus thought

- b. Cannot see the Kingdom of God

G1492: eidō*i'-do*

A primary verb; used only in certain past tenses, the others being borrowed from the equivalent, G3700 and G3708; properly to see (literally or figuratively); by implication (in the perfect only) to **know**: - be aware, behold, X can (+ not tell), consider, (have) known (-ledge), look (on), **perceive**, **see**, be sure, tell, **understand**, wist, wot. Compare G3700.

- c. Cannot enter the Kingdom of God

Joh 3:5 Jesus answered, Verily, verily, I say unto thee, Except a man **be born of water and of the Spirit, he cannot enter into the kingdom of God.**

- d. The flesh avails nothing

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

- e. Quickening by the Holy Spirit

Joh 6:63 It is **the spirit that quickeneth**; the flesh profiteth nothing: the words that I speak unto you, they are spirit, and they are life.

G2227: zōopoieō

Thayer Definition:

1) to produce alive, beget or bear living young

2) to cause to live, make alive, give life

2a) by spiritual power to arouse and invigorate

2b) to restore to life

2c) to give increase of life: thus of physical life

2d) of the spirit, quickening as respects the spirit, endued with new and greater powers of life

3) metaphorically, of seeds quickened into life, i.e. germinating, springing up, growing

Note: When Martin Luther was debating whether fallen man is utterly dependent upon the Holy Spirit for regeneration, he cited this text and added: "The flesh profits nothing. And that 'nothing' is not a 'little something.'"

- f. Made alive together with Christ:

Eph 2:4 But God, who is rich in mercy, for his great love wherewith he loved us,
Eph 2:5 Even when we were dead in sins, hath **quickened us together with Christ,**
 (by grace ye are saved;)

Col 2:13 And you, being dead in your sins and the uncircumcision of your flesh, hath he **quickened together with him,** having forgiven you all trespasses;

- g. Regeneration: baptism, washing, renewal

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

G3067: loutron

loo-tron'

From G3068; a bath, that is, (figuratively) baptism: - washing.

G342: anakainōsis

Thayer Definition:

1) a renewal, renovation, complete change for the better

h. A new creation

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.

IV. Conversion

a. Conviction of sin:

Joh 16:7 Nevertheless I tell you the truth; It is expedient for you that I go away: for if I go not away, the Comforter will not come unto you; but if I depart, I will send him unto you.

Joh 16:8 And when he is come, he will reprove the world of sin, and of righteousness, and of judgment:

Joh 16:9 Of sin, because they believe not on me;

Joh 16:10 Of righteousness, because I go to my Father, and ye see me no more;

Joh 16:11 Of judgment, because the prince of this world is judged.

“reprove” means to convict, and comes from the Greek word:

G1651: elegchō

Thayer Definition:

1) to convict, refute, confute

1a) generally with a suggestion of shame of the person convicted

1b) by conviction to bring to the light, to expose

2) to find fault with, correct

2a) by word

2a1) to reprehend severely, chide, admonish, reprove

2a2) to call to account, show one his fault, demand an explanation

2b) by deed

2b1) to chasten, to punish

b. Born of the will of God via The Holy Spirit:

Joh 1:12 But as many as received him, to them gave He power to become the sons of God, even to them that believe on his name:

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.

“received” is translated from the Greek word:

G2983: *lambanō*

lam-ban'-o

*A prolonged form of a primary verb, which is used only as an alternate in certain tenses; to take (in very many applications, literally and figuratively [probably objective or active, **to get hold of***

Note: when we receive Christ it looks like our own volition [will] but, in reality, it is the Will of God, via the Holy Spirit.

“power” is translated from the Greek word:

G1849: *exousia*

ex-oo-see'-ah

*From G1832 (in the sense of **ability**); **privilege**, that is, (subjectively) force, capacity, competency, freedom, or (objectively) mastery (concretely magistrate, superhuman, potentate, token of control), delegated influence: - authority, jurisdiction, liberty, power, right, strength.*

c. **Faith**

Rom 10:8 *But what saith it? The word is nigh thee, even in thy mouth, and in thy heart: that is, **the word of faith**, which we preach;*

Rom 10:9 *That if thou shalt **confess** with thy mouth the Lord Jesus, and shalt **believe in thine heart that God hath raised him from the dead, thou shalt be saved.***

Rom 10:10 *For **with the heart man believeth unto righteousness; and with the mouth confession is made unto salvation.***

Rom 10:11 *For the scripture saith, Whosoever believeth on him shall not be ashamed.*

“faith” comes from the Greek word:

G4100: *pisteuō*

pist-yoo'-o

*From G4102; to have faith (in, upon, or with respect to, a person or thing), that is, credit; by implication to entrust (especially one's spiritual well being to Christ): - believe (-r), **commit (to trust), put in trust with.***

d. **Faith Comes**

Rom 10:17 *So then **faith cometh by hearing, and hearing by the word of God.***

G4487: *rhēma*

Thayer Definition:

1) **that which is or has been uttered by the living voice, thing spoken, word**

- 1a) any sound produced by the voice and having definite meaning
- 1b) speech, discourse
 - 1b1) what one has said
- 1c) a series of words joined together into a sentence (a declaration of one's mind made in words)
 - 1c1) an utterance
 - 1c2) a saying of any sort as a message, a narrative
 - 1c2a) concerning some occurrence
- 2) subject matter of speech, thing spoken of
 - 2a) so far forth as it is a matter of narration
 - 2b) so far as it is a matter of command
 - 2c) a matter of dispute, case at law

e. Faith is a Gift of God

Eph 2:8 For by grace are ye saved through faith; and that not of yourselves: **it is the gift of God:**

Eph 2:9 Not of works, lest any man should boast.