



Often times Christians use Bible words and phrases that are \_\_\_\_\_ understood by the average person. We refer to this dilemma as “Christianese.” Some people hear these words and either write them off as Christian marketing slogans or they simply define them through their own understanding (*I.E. receive Christ, walk with the Lord, saved, etc.*). Although we have a responsibility to preach the gospel, we must remember that \_\_\_\_\_ is the key. In order to clearly present the gospel, we too must understand the words and phrases God employs in the scriptures. Surprisingly, many believers cannot explain the meaning behind simple terms. Today, before moving on to Genesis 4, we will review some of the events found in chapters 1-3 in order to define a crucial scriptural term — \_\_\_\_\_.

### YE MUST BE BORN AGAIN

1. Is “born again” a Bible term?

- John 3:3 –
- John 3:7 –
- 1 Peter 1:23 –

2. Why did God choose to use such a peculiar term?

- The Book of Beginnings
- God is the Designer and \_\_\_\_\_ of all things - Genesis 1:1; Psalm 33:6
- As the Creator, God designed all things to \_\_\_\_\_ “after their own kind” - Genesis 1:11, 12, 21, 24, 25
- God created man in His \_\_\_\_\_ – Genesis 1:26-28  
*God is three in one - John 1:1, 14; 1 John 5:7*  
*Man is \_\_\_\_\_ in one - 1 Thessalonians 5:23; Hebrews 4:12*
- Because God loves man, He created him with a \_\_\_\_\_ will. So, God created a tree and placed it in the midst of the garden. This tree was the tree of the knowledge of good and evil. God told the man not to eat from this particular tree. God told man that the \_\_\_\_\_ he ate from this tree he would surely \_\_\_\_\_.



This tree gave man the ability to exercise his free will. Man could now voluntarily \_\_\_\_\_ to love and worship God (*and live forever with Him*), or to disobey God (*and die*) - Genesis 2:16-17

- The Bad News

- Adam eats the fruit from the forbidden tree, yet does not die that day – Gen. 3:6, 5:4-5

Q: Is God a liar?

A: God is \_\_\_\_\_ a liar and Adam did die that day...

- Adam no longer has the ability to fellowship with God his Father. Adam was \_\_\_\_\_ from God's presence - Genesis 3:23-24

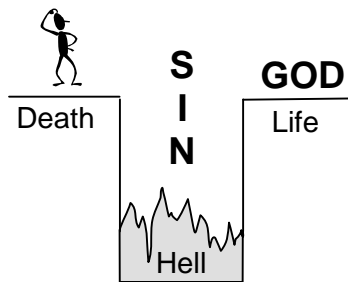
- Adam loses God's image. He is now a \_\_\_\_\_-part being with a body and soul, but a dead spirit (*separated from God*). Adam can still reproduce, but it is in "his own image, after his own likeness" - Genesis 5:1-3

- All mankind is now in \_\_\_\_\_ image - Romans 5:12

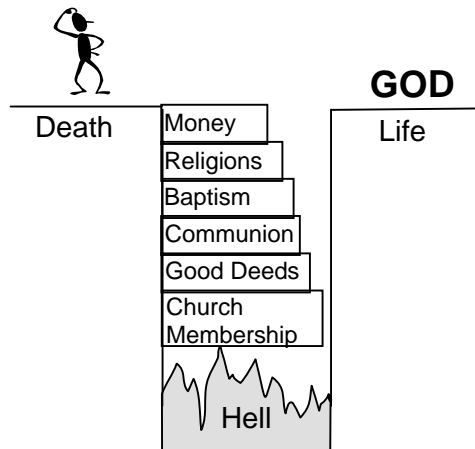
- Subsequently, all mankind are \_\_\_\_\_ - Romans 3:23

- Consequently, all mankind are separated from God -

*But your iniquities have separated between you and your God... Isaiah 59:2*

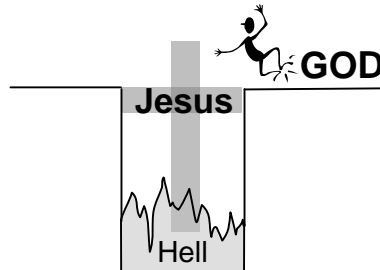


- Since then man has always tried ways to get to God on his own. However, all of man's efforts to earn eternal life \_\_\_\_\_ miserably - Isaiah 64:6; Ro. 3:10; Eph. 2:8-9; Titus 3:5



- The Good News

- Because God alone is \_\_\_\_\_ and without sin, only Jesus Christ (*God in human flesh*) could pay for our sins - Romans 5:8; 2 Corinthians 5:21; 1 Peter 3:18
- The \_\_\_\_\_ spirit that we inherited from Adam can be brought to life ( \_\_\_\_\_ ). We now can enter into God's presence and have fellowship with Him forever - 1 Co. 15:3-4, 57
- The fact is this...Jesus Christ is the \_\_\_\_\_ way - John 14:6



### 3. Ye must be born again

- The Bible says:

- *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. John 3:3*
- *Marvel not that I said unto thee, Ye must be **born again**. John 3:7*
- *For God so loved the world, that he gave his only begotten Son, that **whosoever** believeth in him should not perish, but have everlasting life. For God sent not his Son into the world to condemn the world; but that the world through him might be saved. He that believeth on him is not condemned: but he that believeth not is condemned already, because he hath not believed in the name of the only begotten Son of God. John 3:16-18*
- *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. Romans 10:9*
- *For whosoever shall call upon the name of the Lord shall be saved. Romans 10:13*

- God desires for you to respond

- *The Lord is not slack concerning his promise, as some men count slackness; but is longsuffering to us-ward, **not willing that any should perish**, but that all should come to repentance – 2 Peter 3:9*