

WHO WE BECOME, WHEN WE'RE BORN AGAIN

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WE BECOME A MEMBER OF THE FAMILY OF GOD:

In GOD's RECKONING,
when WE'RE **BORN of the SPIRIT**, WE'RE **BORN from ABOVE**,
and WE'VE PASSED from **DEATH** unto **LIFE ETERNAL**.

WE'RE given a **SPIRITUAL BIRTH**

Having the **ETERNAL LIFE of CHRIST** with HIS **DIVINE RIGHTEOUS NATURE**;
it PRODUCES IN US the **CHRIST LIFE**.

From GOD's **INCORRUPTIBLE SEED**,

There's **BORN** within **Our HEART**, CHRIST's **INCORRUPTIBLE LIFE** -

It is an **ETERNAL LIFE** that **CANNOT SIN** because it is **BORN of GOD**.

YES, WE'RE BORN into a **ROYAL FAMILY**:

GOD is Our **FATHER**,

JESUS is Our **ELDER BROTHER**, and the

HOLY SPIRIT is Our **COMORTER and GUIDE**.

BELIEVERS become **SONS of GOD** or **CHILDREN of GOD**.

WE BECOME A MEMBER OF THE BODY OF CHRIST – THE CHURCH:

When **CHRIST is BORN** in **Our HEART**,

GOD places US **IN His SON, CHRIST JESUS**, and

WE'RE BORN INTO the **BODY of CHRIST**.

When WE'RE **JOINED** unto the **BODY of CHRIST**,

WE become a **MEMBER** of **CHRIST's BODY**, which is **THE CHURCH**.

During this **DISPENSATION of GRACE**, GOD's ETERNAL PURPOSE has been

that **THOSE WHO BELIEVE on His SON**, should be made **ONE IN CHRIST JESUS**.

“For by **ONE SPIRIT** are WE ALL **BAPTIZED into ONE BODY**,

whether WE be **JEWS** or **GENTILES**, whether WE be **BOND** or **FREE**;

and have been **ALL MADE to DRINK into ONE SPIRIT**.”

I Cor. 12:13

WE BECOME A CITIZEN OF HEAVEN: (FELLOW-CITIZENS with the SAINTS)

This **NEW CREATION LIFE** is an **ABUNDANT LIFE**,

which enables US to ENJOY a FORETASTE of **HEAVEN** here

while WE are **PILGRIMS** and **STRANGERS** traveling from EARTH to GLORY.

“Now therefore, **YE** are NO MORE **STRANGERS** and **FOREIGNERS**,

but **FELLOW-CITIZENS** with the **SAINTS**, and of the **HOUSEHOLD of GOD**,”

Eph. 2:19

How wonderful it is to know that when **ONE** is **BORN AGAIN**,

THAT ONE belongs to the FAMILY – a **MEMBER** of the **HOUSEHOLD of GOD**!

To be **BORN AGAIN** into the **ROYAL LINE** through **FAITH** in **CHRIST JESUS**,

and to become a **CITIZEN** of that **HEAVENLY COUNTRY**.