Born From Above

John 3:1-10

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Introduction

- 1) Chapter one was the declaration of His deity.
- 2) Chapter two, the demonstration of His deity.
- 3) Chapter three, the dynamics of His deity.

No man can do anything to bring about his salvation because he is spiritually dead. All life comes from above.

Matthew 19:25-26

God gave us life *physically*. He must bring us to life *spiritually*. Salvation is monergistic, not synergistic.

Ordo Salutus

Romans 8:29-30

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v5

"water"

Ezekiel 36:25-28

The New Covenant

Jeremiah 31:31-34

2 Corinthians 3:4-6

v6

"That which is born of the flesh is flesh"

"Who can bring a clean thing out of an unclean? There is not one." Job 14:4

Totally Depraved

Genesis 6:11-12

Psalm 51:5

Ephesians 2:3

Psalm 14:1-3

Romans 3:20

"that which is born of the Spirit is spirit."

Only the Holy Spirit can bring life, birth and growth.

Psalm 51:10

Galatians 6:15

2 Corinthians 5:17

2 Corinthians 1:20-22

v7

"marvel" Gk thaumazo

To Nicodemus, salvation comes by the religious acts of men dedicated to performing the laws of God.

Mark 9:23

You must receive spiritual life from above! This is the greatest gift any person could ever receive!

A person does nothing to bring about their own birth – physically or spiritually.

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"The wind blows" Gk pneuma

No human being can ever harness the wind. The wind is completely independent of any influence by man.

"The Spirit breathes."

"the breath of life" (Genesis 1:30; 2:7; 6:17; 7:15; 7:22)

Genesis 2:7

The Holy Spirit is "the breath of life."

Regeneration, Justification, Repentance and Faith, change the direction in life, the affections of the heart, and duty becomes *delight*.

Romans 7:22

Psalm 40:8

Psalm 119:24

Psalm 119:35

Psalm 119:47

Psalm 119:111

Psalm 119:167

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v10

"the teacher of Israel"

John 6:63

Romans 8:2

Romans 2:28-29

Romans 3:20

Galatians 3:10-12

Romans 7:6