

## **BORN ANEW**

Quotes, Scripture, Definitions

John 3:3

Very truly I tell you, no one can see (perceive, understand) the kingdom of God unless they are born again (from above, anew).

Luke 17:20-21

Once Jesus was asked by the Pharisees when the kingdom of God was coming, and he answered, "The kingdom of God is not coming with things that can be observed; nor will they say, 'Look, here it is!' or 'There it is!' For, in fact, the kingdom of God is among (within) you."

Gospel of Thomas saying 113, Meyer translation

A book of sayings of Jesus discovered in the Egyptian desert in 1945.

[http://gnosis.org/naghamm/nhl\\_thomas.htm](http://gnosis.org/naghamm/nhl_thomas.htm)

His students said to him: "When will the kingdom come?"

Yeshua said: "It will not come because you are watching (waiting) for it. OR It is not coming in an easily observable manner.

No one will announce, 'Look, here it is' or 'Look, there it is.' The father's kingdom is spread out upon the earth and people do not see it (aren't aware of it).

## JESUS TEACHES NICODEMUS

John 3

3 Now there was a Pharisee, a man named Nicodemus who was a member of the Jewish ruling council. 2 He came to Jesus at night and said, "Rabbi, we know that you are a teacher who has come from God. For no one could perform the signs you are doing if God were not with him."

3 Jesus replied, "Very truly I tell you, no one can see the kingdom of God unless they are born again (anew, from above)."

4 "How can someone be born when they are old?" Nicodemus asked. "Surely they cannot enter a second time into their mother's womb to be born!"

5 Jesus answered, "Very truly I tell you, no one can enter the kingdom of God unless they are born of water and the Spirit. 6 Flesh gives birth to flesh, but the Spirit gives birth to spirit. 7 You should not be surprised at my saying, 'You (plural) must be born again.' 8 The wind blows wherever it pleases. You hear its sound, but you cannot tell where it comes from or where it is going. So it is with everyone born of the Spirit (wind)."

## METAPHYSICAL BIBLE DICTIONARY

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Nicodemus - victory / overcoming of the people

His coming by night represents spiritual darkness.

He was a Sanhedrin, a council of judges, concerned with law, the strict letter of scripture. He represents religion as opposed to spirituality.

To be "born of water" is to be cleansed of all impurity, sin, and materiality, through denial. To be "born of the Spirit" is to come into the consciousness of divine law and to lift the whole man into a new life of harmony and order by affirmative prayer.

A religion that is accepted just because our parents believed in it is a dark state, because there is no real understanding in it. This is the Nicodemus phase of mind. He was a Pharisee and a ruler of the Jews. He represents the pharisaical side of man's mind, which observes the external forms of religion without understanding their real meaning.

new birth -- The awakening of (a person) to a consciousness of unity with the one universal Spirit; the change from mortal to spiritual consciousness through the begetting and quickening power of the word of Truth. It is the change that comes here and now. Jesus made no mention of resurrection after death as having any part in the new birth.

To be born again (anew) is to be made "a new creature" (II Cor. 5:17) having "this mind in you, which was also in Christ Jesus" (Phil. 2:5)

II Corinthians 5:17

So if anyone is in Christ, there is a new creation: everything old has passed away; see, everything has become new!

Phillipians 2:5

Let the same mind be in you that was (that you have) in Christ Jesus.

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## TODAY I AM BORN ANEW.

**Today I am born anew.** I see my life and the lives of my loved ones in a different light. I am free from yesterday: free from yesterday's thoughts, yesterday's ways, and yesterday's actions. I am unfettered. I am unbound.

**Today I am born anew.** Today I greet the good that God has for me. As I begin my day I bless each task that is before me. If there are any changes to be made, I make them graciously and with love in my heart. I see all changes in my life as new opportunities and I am able to welcome them and to bless them.

**Today I am born anew.** Since I see all things in the light of this new birth, the things that I have done many times before become fresh and inspiring to me. The persons whom I have known for many years take on a new interest for me. The world in which I live has new dimensions, and I find it exciting and exhilarating. Because of my new approach I am able to help others find and explore fresh possibilities, so that they, too, may be born anew.

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