

**TEXT:** 1 John 5:1-6    **THEME:** "Born of God"

### INTRODUCTION

Just like your biological birth was not of your doing. So it is that your spiritual birth is not your work, but God's work.

*John 1:12-13*

[12] Yet to all who received him, to those who believed in his name, he gave the right to become children of God — [13] children born not of natural descent, **nor of human decision** or a husband's will, but born of God.

Believing and being born again are two sides of the same ball.

### THEME: TO BE BORN OF GOD [To Be Born Again]

#### I. TO BE BORN OF GOD MEANS YOU BELIEVE THAT JESUS IS THE CHRIST

*1 John 5:1*

Everyone who believes that Jesus is the Christ is born of God.

##### A. THE PROMISED ONE (*Old Testament References*)

*Genesis 3:15*

And I will put enmity between you and the woman, and between your offspring and hers; he will crush your head, and you will strike his heel."

*Isaiah 53:5*

But he was pierced for our transgressions, he was crushed for our iniquities; the punishment that brought us peace was upon him, and by his wounds we are healed.

*Psalms 16:10*

because you will not abandon me to the grave, nor will you let your Holy One see decay.

##### B. YOUR SAVIOR & FRIEND

*John 15:13-14*

[13] **Greater love** has no one than this, that he **lay down his life for his friends**. [14] **You are my friends** if you do what I command.

*John 17:20*

"My prayer is not for them alone. I pray also for **those who will believe in me through their message**"

#### II. TO BE BORN OF GOD MEANS YOU HAVE BEEN EMBUED WITH THE PRESUMPTION OF LOVE

*1 John 5:1*

Everyone who believes that Jesus is the Christ is born of God, and everyone who **loves the father** loves his child as well.

##### A. WITHIN YOUR NEW SPIRITUAL DNA IS THE LOVE OF GOD AS YOUR FATHER

*1 John 5:3*

This is love for God: to obey his commands. And his **commands are not burdensome...**

*John 15:9-11*

[9] "As the Father has loved me, so have I loved you. Now remain in my love. [10] If you obey my commands, you will remain in my love, just as I have obeyed my Father's commands and remain in his love. [11] I have told you this so **that my joy may be in you and that your joy may be complete.**"

##### B. WITHIN YOUR NEW SPIRITUAL DNA IS LOVE FOR THE CHILDREN OF GOD

*1 John 5:1-2*

[1] Everyone who believes that Jesus is the Christ is born of God, and everyone who loves the father **loves his child as well**. [2] This is how we know that we **love the children of God**: by loving God and carrying out his commands.

#### III. TO BE BORN OF GOD MEANS YOU HAVE BEEN GIVEN A FAITH THAT OVERCOMES THE WORLD

*1 John 5:4*

for everyone born of God **overcomes the world**. This is the victory that has overcome the world, even our faith.

*1 John 4:4*

You, dear children, are from God and **have overcome** them, because the one who is in you is greater than the one who is in the world.

*Heb 12:2 (KJV)*

**Looking unto Jesus the author and finisher of our faith**; who for the joy that was set before him endured the cross, despising the shame, and is set down at the right hand of the throne of God.