

The Holy Spirit

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Holy Spirit & Regeneration

WEEK 6 – PART 2



Jesus answered him, "Truly, truly, I say to you, unless one is

BORN AGAIN

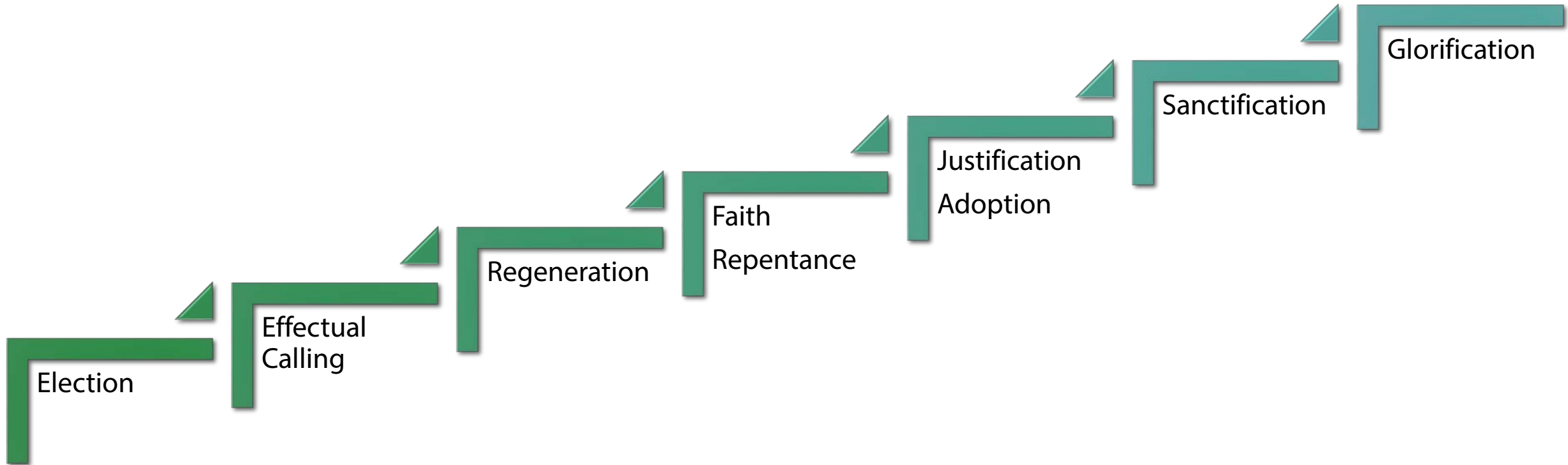
he cannot see the kingdom of God."

JOHN 3:3

**Necessity
of new
birth**



Review: Order of Salvation



Regeneration is Not:

Not baptism

Not moral reformation

Regeneration is:

The creation of a new creature

The knowledge of God

The Cause and Means of Regeneration

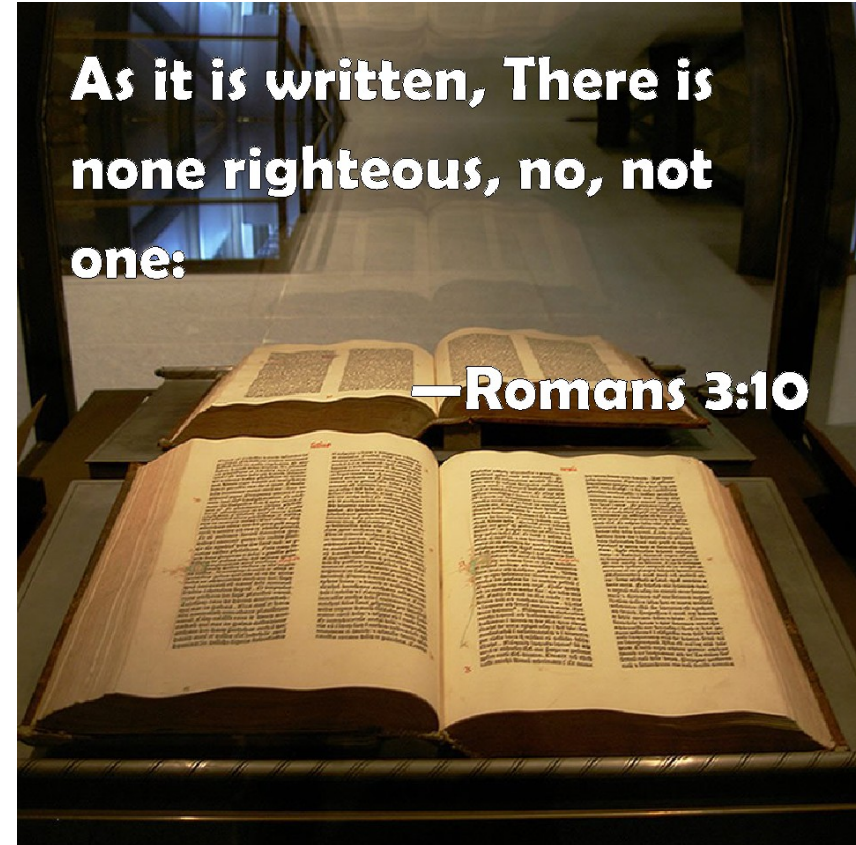
How Can We Be Saved?

- What is our nature?
- Impossible to turn to God (Jer. 13:23)
- Holy Spirit is immediate author of this work (John 3:3f.)



How Can We Be Saved?

- NO possibility of salvation to those living and dying in a state of sin
- Deliverance only by regeneration (Romans 3:13)



The Holy Spirit and Effectual Calling

Effectual Call & New Birth



Holy Spirit & Effectual Calling

What does the Spirit do in His call?

What do we need?

- We need our minds enlightened
- We need our wills renewed
- We need our affections set right

Holy Spirit & Effectual Calling

Delivering you from your people and from the Gentiles—to whom I am sending you to open their eyes, so that they may turn from darkness to light and from the power of Satan to God, that they may receive forgiveness of sins and a place among those who are sanctified by faith in me. (Acts 26:17–18)

For God, who said, “Let light shine out of darkness,” has shone in our hearts to give the light of the knowledge of the glory of God in the face of Jesus Christ. (2 Corinthians 4:6)

Convincing of Sin and Misery



Spirit's Task–

John 16:8

Uses the Law –

Romans 3:20

In action –

Acts 2:36-37

Enlightening Our Minds

Lost in the Fall

- “For my people are foolish; they know me not; they are stupid children; they have no understanding. They are ‘wise’—in doing evil! But how to do good they know not.”
(Jeremiah 4:22) [Also Psalm 49:20]

Enlightening Our Minds

1 John 5:20

Psalm 11:34

Ephesians 1:17-18

Enlightening Our Minds

Acts 4:12

Christ can save

John 6:37

Christ will save

Hebrews 2:17

Christ did save

Renewing Our Wills

Lost in the Fall

- Ezekiel 3:26-27
- 'And they will all be taught by God.' Everyone who has heard and learned from the Father comes to me (John 6:45)

Setting Our Affections Right

Lost in the Fall – James 1:14-15

Galatians 5:24

Deuteronomy 30:6

Regeneration – God's Work

God – Not Us!

1 Peter 1:3

James 1:18

John 1:13

Titus 3:5



BUT NOW
THAT YOU
HAVE BEEN
**SET FREE
FROM SIN**
AND HAVE
**BECOME
SLAVES OF
GOD,**
THE FRUIT
YOU GET
LEADS TO
SANCTIFICATION
AND ITS END,
**ETERNAL
LIFE.** ROMANS 6:22



NEXT WEEK: SANCTIFICATION