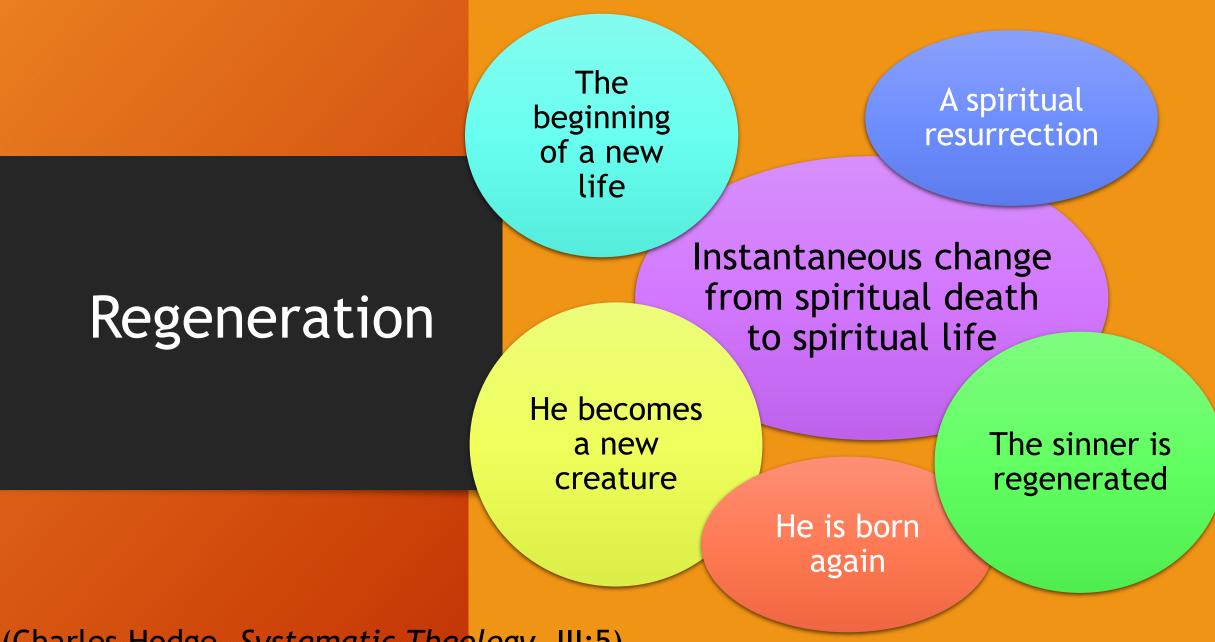
Regeneration—Alive From The Dead

Resurrection - Alive From The Dead

I. What is the doctrine of regeneration?II. How does regeneration happen?



(Charles Hodge, Systematic Theology, III:5).

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Louis Berkhof, Systematic Theology, p. 469

Regeneration

"Regeneration is that act of God by which the principle of the new life is implanted in man, and the governing disposition of the soul is made holy...and the first holy exercise of this new disposition is secured"

(Louis Berkhof, Systematic Theology, p. 469, italics original).

Greek words related to regeneration

- *Gennaō* and *anagennaō* "to beget, beget again, to bear, to give birth" (Jn 1:13; 3:3-8; 1 Pet 1:3, 23; 1 Jn 2:29; 3:9; 4:7; 5:1, 4, 18)
- *Palingenesia* "again" + "birth" = "rebirth" or "new birth". Beginning new life (Titus 3:5).
- *Apokueō* "to bear, bring forth" like bearing a child (Jas 1:18)
- *Ktizō* and *kaine ktisis* "to create", "a new creation" (Eph 2:10; 4:24; 2 Cor 5:17; Gal 6:15)
- *Kainos anthropos* "new man" (Eph 4:24)
- *Suzōopoieō* "to make alive together with" (Eph 2:5; Col 2:13)

God's Perspective vs. Our Perspective

God's awareness

Man's awareness

- Election
- Regeneration (given new life)
- Calling
- Faith
- Begin to experience new life

- Hear the gospel
- Trust in Christ
- Begin to experience new life