The Fruit from the Holy Spirit

The New Birth, part 4

- **I.** At salvation the believer is born again, a new birth.
 - 1. The Father is the source (1 Jn. 3:9).
 - 2. We are "born ones" into the family of God (1 Jn. 3:10; 3:1).
 - 3. At that point we enter into the Kingdom of God (Jn. 3:5).
 - 4. The Holy Spirit is the instrument for the new birth (Tit. 3:5).
 - 5. Regeneration is the process for the new birth (Tit. 3:5).
 - 1) Are made ceremonially clean.
 - 2) Receive a 'renewness' of mind (cf. Rom. 12:2; 1 Cor. 2:16).
- **II.** The new birth is spiritual life and is emphasized by the indwelling Son of God: new life.
 - 1. "Christ in you" (Jn. 14:20).
 - 2. The Son of God is joined to the believer's human spirit (Jn. 3:6; 1 Cor. 6:17).
 - 3. The Son's indwelling in the believer constitutes eternal life (1 Jn. 5:11-12).
 - 1) Spiritual death is separation from God (Rom. 6:23; *cf.* Jam. 2:26; 1 Tim. 5:6).
 - 2) Eternal life is an active family relationship with God.
 - 4. 'Christ in you' truth (Jn. 14:20; Col. 1:27; Rom. 8:10).
 - 5. Old Testament saints do not receive their eternal life until they are resurrected after the Tribulation just before the Kingdom (Dan. 12:2).
 - 6. Believers during Jesus' earthly ministry did not receive eternal life until the Holy Spirit was sent (Mk. 10:30; Lu. 18:30).
- **III.** Summary of the results of the Son of God's indwelling the believer.
 - 1. New life, spiritual life, eternal life (1 Jn. 5:11-12).
 - 2. Renewed quality of mind, the mind of Christ (Tit. 3:5; Rom. 12:2; 1 Cor. 2:16).