

## INTRODUCTION

## INTRODUCTION - A CHILD IN GOD'S FAMILY JOHN 3:1-16

• Each of us is	_ with a sinful nature <i>(Psalms 51:5)</i>	
Our first parents	God (Genesis 3, Romans 5:12-21)	
• God made us in his image (Genesis 1:27) but we are also born in image (Genesis 5:3)		
After the fall, God in his	started a new family!	
ASPECTS OF THE MIRACLE OF THE NEW BIRTH		
A. ENTERING THE FAMILY: (J	IOHN 3:3, 7)	
"Born Again" Theological ter	m is	
Two spiritual		
<ul><li>The spirit of God (John 3:</li><li>The</li></ul>	5) of God <i>(1 Peter 1:23-25, Ephesians 2:8-9, John 1:11-13)</i>	
	(Isaiah 53:11, John 3:14-16)	
• The new birth is all of _		
The	of God's children:	
HOW CAN YOU	U TELL WHETHER YOU ARE TRULY A CHRISTIAN?	
Four bir	thmarks of a true believer (1 John 2, 1 John 5)	
1. Practicing righteousness	and not (1 John 2:29, 3:9)	
2. Loving God and other be	lievers (1 John 4:7, 5:1)	
3. Overcoming the	(1 John 5:4)	
4. Overcoming the	(1 John 5:18)	

**SALVATION - IS IT FOR REAL?** PRAISE CENTER CHURCH

Christians are not people who are sinless, bu	it who do sin
Spiritual birth certificates that assure us v	ve are God's own children.
1. HAVE YOU ENJOYED FELLOWSHIP WITH (1 JOHN 1:2-3) 1 JOHN 5:1, 1 CORINTHIAN	
Have you experienced	with God and Christ?
Have you sensed their	?
Do you have a love for them that draws you to	their presence?
Have you experienced the communion of	?
Have you experienced the refreshing that com	es upon you when you discover a new truth in His
?	
• If you have, then you have experienced the	fellowship of salvation.
2. ARE YOU SENSITIVE TO SIN? (1 JOHN 1:5	5-6)
Light and darkness do not	(1 John 1:7-10) (Romans 3:23)
• The person who is	saved is sensitive to the sinful realities in his or her life
Consider how this applies to you:	
<ul> <li>Are you aware of the battle (spiritual) raging</li> </ul>	g within you?
<ul> <li>Do you realize that to have that you can't walk in darkness and claim to</li> </ul>	communion with God, you have to live a holy life - b have fellowship with Him?
<ul><li>Are you willing to</li></ul>	and forsake any sin in your life as you become aware of
<ul> <li>Do you realize you can choose not to sin?</li> </ul>	
<ul> <li>When you do fail, do you go to your divine _</li> </ul>	? (Romans 7:24)

Next: "Birth Certificates" Continued.