**Biblical Foundations 3.9**

**Regeneration (New Birth or Born Again)**

**John 3:3-8 NKJV** Jesus answered and said to him, “Most assuredly, I say to you, unless one is born again, he cannot see the kingdom of God.” Nicodemus said to Him, “How can a man be born when he is old? Can he enter a second time into his mother’s womb and be born?” Jesus answered, “Most assuredly, I say to you, unless one is born of water and the Spirit, he cannot enter the kingdom of God. That which is born of the flesh is flesh, and that which is born of the Spirit is spirit. Do not marvel that I said to you, ‘You must be born again.’ The wind blows where it wishes, and you hear the sound of it, but cannot tell where it comes from and where it goes. So is everyone who is born of the Spirit.”

**James 1:18 NRSV** In fulfillment of his own purpose he gave us birth by the word of truth, so that we would become a kind of first fruits of his creatures.

**1 Peter 1:3 NRSV** Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ! By his great mercy he has given us a new birth into a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead.

**Ezekiel 36:26-27 HCSB** I will give you a new heart and put a new spirit within you; I will remove your heart of stone and give you a heart of flesh. I will place My Spirit within you and cause you to follow My statutes and carefully observe My ordinances.

**Ephesians 2:5 NCV** But God’s mercy is great, and he loved us very much. Though we were spiritually dead because of the things we did against God, he gave us new life with Christ. You have been saved by God’s grace.

**1 Peter 1:23, 25 HCSB** since you have been born again —not of perishable seed but of imperishable—through the living and enduring word of God. 25But the word of the Lord endures forever. And this is the word that was preached as the gospel to you.

**Ephesians 2:1 NKJV** And you He made alive, who were dead in trespasses and sins.

**2 Corinthians 5:17 NKJV** Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation; old things have passed away; behold, all things have become new.

**Acts 16:14 NRSV** A certain woman named Lydia, a worshiper of God, was listening to us; she was from the city of Thyatira and a dealer in purple cloth. The Lord opened her heart to listen eagerly to what was said by Paul.

**1 John 3:9 NCV** Those who are God’s children do not continue sinning, because the new life from God remains in them. They are not able to go on sinning, because they have become children of God.

**1 John 4:7 NKJV** Beloved, let us love one another, for love is of God; and everyone who loves is born of God and knows God.

**1 John 5:4 NKJV** For whatever is born of God overcomes the world. And this is the victory that has overcome the world—our faith.

**1 John 5:18 NRSV** We know that those who are born of God do not sin, but the one who was born of God protects them, and the evil one does not touch them.

**1 John 4:4 NKJV** You are of God, little children, and have overcome them, because He who is in you is greater than he who is in the world.

**Galatians 5:22-23 NKJV** But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, longsuffering, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness, self-control. Against such there is no law.