March 12, 2017 <u>"God Has No Grandchildren!"</u> (John 3:1-7)

God has no grandchildren. God only has _____.

Every generation and e very individual must embrace the faith for

We cannot claim another person's _____ for our own.

We can pattern our faith ______ after someone else's, but no one can make that journey for us.

Let's look at 3 simple questions:

#1.- What is the new _____?

Beginning with an obvious assertion; if you're going to grow up, you must first be _____.

Jesus made it clear that there are 2 kinds of life:

_____ and _____.

Jesus uses the words, "_____," and "_____," to talk about this.

The Gospel is that God, through Jesus Christ, ______ what we have _____.

And what we have destroyed by our sin is our ______ with God.

That new birth means, being "_____." The New Testament Greek word is "*metanoia*." Our English word is "<u>Meta,</u>" meaning "to _____" and "*Morphe,*" *meaning* " Jesus says that's what must happen to us in order to live in the

#2.- Who ______ the new birth?

Jesus said that Nicodemus was trying to find peace and rest and ______ and salvation by doctoring the ______ of life.

Jesus declared the one supreme and universal necessity, and that is the necessity of a ______. The importance of a ______ life!

The bottom line – who needs the new birth? – Every one of _____!

Who needs the new birth? – Anyone who is still trying to ______ himself or herself by Good ______.

#3.- How are we born _____?

John 3:8 – "The wind blows where it wills, and you may hear the sound of it, but you don't know from whence it comes or whither it goes; so it is of everyone who is born of the Spirit."

There is a response we can make in order for the Spirit to work: 1^{st} – We must ______. 2^{nd} – We must ______ our need for Christ, and _______ his forgiveness. 3^{rd} – We ______ Jesus into our life.

We must keep in mind who Christ is: the one who wants to give

When the prodigal returned home, his father _____ him as though he had never been away. So it will be with any one of us!

"You must be born again!" - Meta morph!

We must simply turn to Him and accept his grace and let the Spirit blow where it will to refresh our spirits.....to give us new life!

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