



# The JESUS Series

Pt 7 – Spirit & Life

# Introduction...

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- Our Jesus series began with the revelation of Christ as God.
- We have begun our journey from the Gospel of John.
- This Gospel begins not with Jesus arriving as a human but as the God who was existent before the creation of the world.
- We then examined what Jesus came to do:
- 1- to take away the SIN and sin of the world
- 2. – to fulfil the original plan of God with Adam and the Human race. As the Last ADAM, He came to start a whole new Human race who have Eternal Life and will live with God forever.



# Introduction...

- *<sup>12</sup> But as many as received Him, to them He gave the right to become children of God, to those who believe in His name:*
- *<sup>13</sup> who were born, not of blood, nor of the will of the flesh, nor of the will of man, but of God. John 1:12*
- So, we will explore this a bit further in this study before we go deeper into the Gospel of John.
- In effect our last six studies have all come out from the first Chapter of John!



# Jesus Encounter...

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- When you meet Jesus something amazing happens to you:
- YOU COME ALIVE!!
- *“If anyone thirsts, let him come to Me and drink. <sup>38</sup> He who believes in Me, as the Scripture has said, out of his heart will flow rivers of living water.  
John 7:38*
- When you meet Jesus and believe in Him, you are renewed spiritually.



# Jesus Encounters...

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- *There was a man of the Pharisees named Nicodemus, a ruler of the Jews. <sup>2</sup> This man came to Jesus by night and said to Him,*
- *“Rabbi, we know that You are a teacher come from God; for no one can do these signs that You do unless God is with him.”*
- *<sup>3</sup> Jesus answered and said to him, “Most assuredly, I say to you, **unless one is born again**, he cannot see the kingdom of God.”*
- *<sup>4</sup> 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?”*
- *<sup>5</sup> Jesus answered, “Most assuredly, I say to you, **unless one is born of water and the Spirit**, he cannot enter the kingdom of God.*
- *<sup>6</sup> That which is born of the flesh is flesh, and that **which is born of the Spirit is spirit.***
- *John 3:1-6*



# Jesus Encounters..

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- <sup>7</sup> *A woman of Samaria came to draw water. Jesus said to her, "Give Me a drink."*
- <sup>8</sup> *For His disciples had gone away into the city to buy food.*
- <sup>9</sup> *Then the woman of Samaria said to Him, "How is it that You, being a Jew, ask a drink from me, a Samaritan woman?" For Jews have no dealings with Samaritans.*
- <sup>10</sup> *Jesus answered and said to her, "If you knew the gift of God, and who it is who says to you,*  
*'Give Me a drink,' you would have asked Him, and **He would have given you living water.**"*
- *John 4;7-10*



# Jesus Encounters..

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- <sup>13</sup> *Jesus answered and said to her, “Whoever drinks of this water will thirst again,*
- <sup>14</sup> *but whoever drinks of the water that I shall give him will **never thirst**. But the water that I shall give him will become in him a **fountain of water** springing up into **everlasting life.**”  
John 4:13-14*





## SPIRIT...

- *23 But the hour is coming, and now is, when the true worshipers will worship the Father in spirit and truth;*
- *for the Father is seeking such to worship Him. <sup>24</sup> **God is Spirit**, and those who worship Him must worship in spirit and truth.”*  
*John 4:24*
- Those who come to Jesus come in contact with the essence of LIFE. He emanates LIFE and dispenses LIFE to all who believe in Him.
- If God is SPIRIT, then those who are Born of God are SPIRIT too.



# SPIRIT...

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- <sup>26</sup> I will give you a new heart and put a new spirit within you; I will take the heart of stone out of your flesh and give you a heart of flesh.
- <sup>27</sup> I will put My Spirit within you and cause you to walk in My statutes, and you will keep My judgments and do *them*.

*Ezekiel 36:26*



# SPIRIT...

- In Him you also *trusted*, after you heard the word of truth, the gospel of your salvation; in whom also,
- having believed, you were **sealed with the Holy Spirit** of promise,



# ALIVE...

- 1 Peter 1:23  
having been **born again**, not of  
corruptible seed but incorruptible,  
through the word of God which lives and  
abides forever,



# Jesus Encounters...

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- Jesus said to her, “Did I not say to you that if you would believe you would see the glory of God?” <sup>41</sup> Then they took away the stone *from the place* where the dead man was lying.
- And Jesus lifted up *His* eyes and said, “Father, I thank You that You have heard, Me. <sup>42</sup> And I know that You always hear Me, but because of the people who are standing by I said *this*, that they may believe that You sent Me.”
- <sup>43</sup> Now when He had said these things, He cried with a loud voice,
- “**Lazarus, come forth!**”
- <sup>44</sup> **And he who had died came out** bound hand and foot with graveclothes, and his face was wrapped with a cloth. Jesus said to them, “Loose him, and let him go.”  
John 11:40-44



# LIFE...

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- Followers of Jesus are followers of Life.
- The Life of God is in them not just as living forever but the QUALITY of Life is that which exudes from God
- This reality will be explored more in the Epistles of Paul
- Jesus is the essence of LIFE.



# LIFE

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- I am the Way the Truth and the LIFE....  
Jn 14:6



# LIFE...

- It is the Spirit who gives life; the flesh profits nothing.
- The words that I speak to you are spirit, and they are life.  
John 6:63





# LIFE

- “A little while longer and the world will see Me no more, but you will see Me. Because I live, you will live also.  
John 14:19



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# LIFE...

- For as the Father raises the dead and gives life to *them*, even so the Son gives life to whom He will.  
Jn 5:21



# JESUS...LIFE

- *Now it happened, the day after, that He went into a city called Nain; and many of His disciples went with Him, and a large crowd.*
- *<sup>12</sup> And when He came near the gate of the city, behold, a dead man was being carried out, the only son of his mother; and she was a widow. And a large crowd from the city was with her.*
- *<sup>13</sup> When the Lord saw her, He had compassion on her and said to her, "Do not weep."*
- *<sup>14</sup> Then He came and touched the open coffin, and those who carried him stood still. And He said, "Young man, I say to you, arise."*
- *<sup>15</sup> So he who was dead sat up and began to speak. And He presented him to his mother.*





## LIFE...

- “Most assuredly, I say to you, the hour is coming, and now is, when **the dead will hear** the voice of the Son of God; and **those who hear will live.**

Jn 5:25



## LIFE...

- “For the bread of God is He who comes down from heaven and **gives life** to the world.
- “I am the living bread which came down from heaven. If anyone eats of this bread, he will live forever;
- and the bread that I shall give is My flesh, which I shall give for **the life** of the world.”  
Jn 6:33,51



- Jesus said to her,
- **“I am the resurrection and the life.** He who believes in Me, though he may die, he shall live.
- <sup>26</sup> And whoever lives and believes in Me shall never die. Do you believe this?”  
John 11:25,26



REFLECTION...