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Jesus himself presents the term "born again" to Nicodemus and Nicodemus responds by looking at it solely from the viewpoint of the physical birth. "How can this be?" is what Nicodemus is thinking. He says, "How can a man be born when he is old? Can he enter the second time into his mother's womb, and be born?" Jesus tells him that this is a spiritual birth not a physical one. So mankind has a physical birth and the need for a spiritual one.

Three times in these seven verses Jesus speaks of the importance of the spiritual birth of being "born again." In verse three he says, "Except a man be born again, he cannot see the kingdom of God." In verse five he says, "Except a man be born of water and of the Spirit, he cannot enter into the kingdom of God." In verse seven he says, "Marvel not that I said unto thee, Ye must be born again." I would say that it is obvious that Jesus is emphasizing the need for men to be "born again." Notice that these statements are made in the negative. Without the new birth men and women cannot see the kingdom of God. That simply means that without the new birth we cannot go to heaven. 1 Corinthians 15:50 tells us that flesh and blood cannot inherit the kingdom of God. The kingdom of God is a spiritual place. It is found in the realm of the spirit. Throughout the Bible God is showing men the reality of the realm of the spirit. It is an eternal realm. It is unseen by the physical eye.

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In verse 49 of the same chapter we find these words, "And as we have borne the image of the earthy, we shall also bear the image of the heavenly." This fits perfectly with the term "born again" in the John 3 passage. We are born physically but we also need to be born spiritually. In one case we bear the image of the physical and in the other we can bear the image of the spiritual. This then is the answer to the question, "What does it mean to be born again, to be born of the Spirit?"

To be born again is to bear the image of the spiritual. To bear the image of the spiritual is to have the Spirit of Christ dwelling in us. Romans 8:9 tells us, "But ye are not in the flesh, but in the Spirit, if so be that the Spirit of God dwell in you. Now if any man have not the Spirit of Christ, he is none of his." This is akin to saying that if you are not born again you cannot enter the kingdom of God. To be born again is to have the Spirit of Christ in us.

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