

*** Philippians Ch 4: v 6-7**

What does God promise instead of anxiety?

● ***Your Father is generous***

*** Matthew Ch 7: v 7-11**

Ask and it will be _____

Seek and you will _____

Knock and the door will _____

What kind of gifts does God give to his children?

Don't be afraid to ask God for things. He can work through your financial problems with you, he can heal your body, he can help you with relationships — he can move mountains if you have faith!



*** Matthew Ch 17: v 20**

How much faith do we need to move a mountain?

● ***Heavenly Daddy***

*** Mark Ch 14: v 35-36**

Jesus knew that he would soon be crucified. How did he refer to his Father when he was in distress? _____

This is the intimate word for 'daddy' in the local language which Jesus spoke (Aramaic).

*** Galatians Ch 4: v 6**

Who helps us to relate to our heavenly Daddy? _____

● ***Growing up***

As you move forward as a Christian, you will learn to trust God more and know him better. As you read the Bible, you will discover the many promises which God has for you and the joy of living each day as a child of God with the support of your heavenly Father.

Unit 2

A Child of God



Everybody in the world is made by God. He knows every detail of our lives and he loves us. Because God is our creator, he is everybody's Father in this respect — but our sins have separated us from him and we are no longer part of his family. He longs for us to return to him and become his children again. This is what happens when you become a Christian.

*** John Ch 1: v 6-13**

Who is the light of the world? _____
(also see John Ch 8: v 12)

What have most of the people in the world done with Jesus?

They did not _____ (v 10)

They did not _____ (v 11)

What two things must you do to become a child of God (v 12)?

• _____ • _____

When we become God's children, we are born of _____ (v 13)

This is sometimes called being 'born again'; it is another way of saying that we have become Christians.

*** John Ch 3: v 1-7**

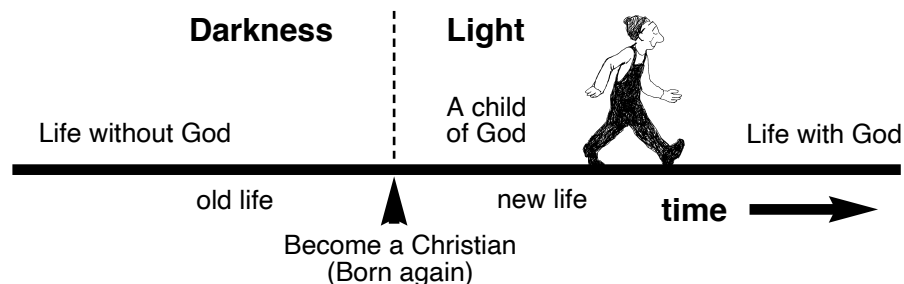
What can we do when we are born again?

• _____ (v 3)

• _____ (v 5)

● *New life — new start*

Being born again is starting a *new life with God*. When a baby is born it needs to grow, learn, get to know its parents and become part of a family. As a 'newborn' Christian, you will need to grow, learn, get to know your heavenly Father and become part of your new family.



● *Part of God's plan*

Although you decided to become a Christian, it may surprise you to learn that it was all part of God's plan. Since God can see into the past and the future, he has no surprises! He sees your life from beginning to end — he knows you very well (*Psalms 139: v 13-16*). What is more, since you have returned to your Father, he can now help you to find his plan and purpose for your life. God can help and guide you with your career, your marriage — every part of your life, as you invite him in.

* Proverbs Ch 3: v 5-6

What must you do to allow God to guide you?

● *Getting to know your Father*

You can find out a lot *about God* by reading the Bible, meeting with other Christians, reading Christian books or listening to CDs, DVDs, online media etc., but you need to cultivate your own *relationship with God*. To do this, you need to talk to him (pray), tell him that you love him and share your life with him — you will soon find that he is very real to you.

* John Ch 14: v 23-24

How else can we show our love for God and get to know him?

● *A good Father looks after his children*

God is interested in every detail of your life and, like any good father, he wants to help you, encourage you, see you do well and correct you if you make mistakes. Now you are a child of God, you can live your life with confidence in the care of your heavenly Father. You will still have problems and difficulties, but you will find that Father can help you through them.

* Matthew Ch 6: v 25-34

What should we not worry about?

- _____
- _____

What should we seek instead (v 33)?

Worry comes from fear and insecurity. Millions of people today suffer from anxiety, fear, depression and guilt — *Jesus came to enable us to live in peace and security instead!*



Things people worry about (Tick the ones which apply to you)

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| ☐ Uncertain future | ☐ Losing my job | ☐ War |
| ☐ Fear of illness | ☐ Meeting people | ☐ Debts, money |
| ☐ Losing friends | ☐ Being alone | ☐ Work |
| ☐ Clothes | ☐ My appearance | ☐ Death |
| ☐ Relationships with people | ☐ What people think of me | |
| ☐ Political situations | ☐ Getting stuck in a rut | |
| ☐ Failure in job, marriage, college course etc | | |
| ☐ Being found out for things done in the past | | |
| ☐ Others: _____ | | |



Right now — talk to God, tell him about your worries and problems and hand them over to him. You can leave each of these heavy burdens with God. Read *Matthew Ch 11: v 28-30*.