

Daily Devotion For April 8, 2022

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68 years ago, I was born on the same day as my father's birthday. I have an aunt who was also born on the same day. April 8<sup>th</sup> is also the date that "The Buddha's" birth is recognized in many countries. I guess if there is one thing that a birthday reminds me of is that I'm not getting any younger. That more sand has passed through the hour glass. There is a birthday card that reads, "if you can't blow out all the candles, just stomp that out with your cane!"

On Tuesday, I shared in my daily devotion of the opportunity that I had to meet some college students that were part of CRU on the campus of MPC. The passage that they were studying was John 3:1-15, but the key verse there is verse 3, <sup>3</sup> Jesus replied, "Very truly I tell you, no one can see the kingdom of God unless they are born again."

Jesus was expressing to Nicodemus that there are really two births. One a physical birth and the other is a spiritual birth. For every believer that is true, we have been born physically but the most important birth is that we are born again into the family and kingdom of God. The spiritual birth determines where we will spend eternity, whether in heaven with God or in hell with Satan.

**Thought For Today and Today's Prayer Focus:** Do you know if you have been born a second time? If so, give thanks to God that you have been born both physically and spiritually. Deo Volente.