

ETERNAL LIFE (Part 2)

The context of our three "Truly, Truly I Say" doctrines in this series is (John 5:1-30).

We have divided the context into three sections for study based on these three "Truly, Truly I Say" doctrinal titles.

- John 5:19-23 Equality with God
- **John 5:24 Eternal Life**
- John 5:25-30 Executor of God's Judgment

Question: Suppose a friend walked up to you and says, "I have some good news and some bad news. Which do you want first?"

- **Do you think**, "there is no such thing as bad news to a spiritually mature believer because of **Rom.8:29**"?
SO,
- **Do you respond**, "It doesn't matter to me, you decide?"

There are at least two stories behind the story of our three "Truly, Truly I Say" doctrines.

- **First story**, behind the story, was Jesus healing a man suffering from a medical incurable disease of 38 years (John 5:1-15).
- **Second story**, behind the story, was the religious legalist attacking Jesus for healing the man on the Sabbath and for making Himself equal with God (John 15:16-18).

Doctrinal Principle: false assumptions lead to false interpretations lead to false expectations lead to false applications.

Jesus responded to these false charges with three Hebrew Amen doctrines, "**Truly, Truly I Say to you**", in John 5:19, 24, and 25.

In our last study, we introduced the messianic Amen doctrine of **Eternal Life (John 5:24)**.

In this lesson will study <u>three aspects</u> of having been "Made Alive", ETERNALLY
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NOTE: John is the premier writer on the subject of Eternal Life in both the Gospel of John and the First Epistle of John (1 John 5:11-13).

(1 John 5:13) "These things I have written to you who believe in the name of the Son of God, so that you may know that you have eternal life."

1. Eternal life is the Divine Life of the Godhead (God the Father, God the Son, and God the Holy Spirit) (John 1:1-14)

(John 1:4-5) "In Him was life, and **the life was the Light of men**. The Light shines in the darkness, and the darkness did not comprehend it." (John 1:11-13)

(1 John 1:7) “But **if** (3cc) we **walk in the Light as** (hos/ comparative particle) **He Himself is in the Light**, we have **fellowship** with one another, and the **blood of Jesus His Son cleanses us from all sin.**”

(1 John 1:9)

(John 8:12) “**I am the Light of the world**; he who **follows** (ho akoloutheo/ p.a.ptc nsm) **Me** will not walk in darkness, **but** (alla) [contrast] will have the **Light of life.**”

2. **Mankind is in need of eternal life because of Adam’s sin (Gen.2:17; 3:6).**

Question #1: Why is mankind in need of eternal life?

Question #2: What death did Adam immediately experience?

Question #3: What life did Adam lose that only Jesus Christ can restore?

Answers to all three questions:

(1 Cor.15:22) “For in Adam all die, so also in Chris all will be made alive.”

(Rom.5:12) “Therefore, just as through one man sin entered into the world, and death through sin, and so death spread to all men, because all have sinned.” (Rom.5:12-21).

(Rom.6:23 “For the wages of sin is death, but the **free gift of God is eternal life** in Christ Jesus our Lord.” [1 of 20 Status Privileges received at the moment of salvation](#)

3. **Eternal life brings Spiritual Light, removing the one believing from Spiritual Darkness, the moment he / she believes the gospel (the Good News) of Jesus Christ. (John 3:15-16, 19, 36; Col.1:13-14)**

(Eph.5:8) “For you were formerly darkness, but **now you are Light in the Lord**; walk as children of Light.” (1 Cor.15:3-4; Rom.1:16; Eph.2:8-9)

(1 Pet.2:9) “But you are a chosen race, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, a people for God’s own possession, so that you may proclaim the excellencies of **Him who called you out of darkness into His marvelous light.**”

(John 1:9) “There was the **true Light** which, coming into the world, **enlightens every man.**”

(2 Cor.4:6) “For God, who said, ‘Light shall shine out of darkness,’ is **the One who has shone in our hearts to give the Light of Knowledge of the glory of God in the face of Christ.**”

(John 5:24) “Truly, truly, I say to you, he who hears My word and believes in Him who sent Me, **has eternal life**, and does not come into judgment, but is passed out of death in to life.”