

called the “...**first begotten of the dead...**” (Revelation 1:5). This is because He heads up a new species, a new class of “Monogenēs”—people who have now been born of God as a result of the resurrection of Jesus Christ—by virtue of the New Birth (1 Peter 1:3).

Recall what the Bible says in 1 John 3:1, “**Behold, what manner of love the Father hath bestowed upon us, that we should be called the sons of God....**” We’re born-sons of God: “**But as many as received him, to them gave he power to become the sons of God, even to them that believe on his name: Which were born, not of blood, nor of the will of the flesh, nor of the will of man, but of God**” (John 1:12-13). James 1:18 says, “**Of his own will begat he us with the word of truth, that we should be a kind of firstfruits of his creatures.**” We’re the first and the best; the one and only or one of a kind; unique. (Also read 1 Peter 2:9 AMPC). Hallelujah!

PRAYER

Dear Father, thank you for the blessing of eternal life for everyone who hears and receives the message of the Gospel. Today, many will hear and understand the depth of your love and the invitation to be born again and receive the divine life as the Gospel is preached around the world, in Jesus’ Name. Amen.

FURTHER STUDY:

1 John 5:11-13; 2 Corinthians 5:17; 1 John 4:17

1-YEAR BIBLE READING PLAN

Matthew 26:1-30 & Exodus 32-33

2-YEAR BIBLE READING PLAN

Matthew 13:1-9 & Genesis 38

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