

Deacon's Beacons

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Jesus answered him, "Truly, truly, I say to you, unless one is born again he cannot see the kingdom of God." John 3:3

What does it mean to be born again? Many Pentecostal Christians say that you must be baptized as an adult. Most other mainline Christian denominations understand it to mean that you must be baptized and, since infant Baptism had become the norm. That is being born again. Remember that, in the early Church, whole families would be baptized together. So what do you do with children born after that event? They are part of a Christian family so they are not outside the Christian world. But they are not Christian because they are not baptized. So, at some point, the Church began baptizing infants. How that affected the Sacraments of Initiation is a topic for another time.

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