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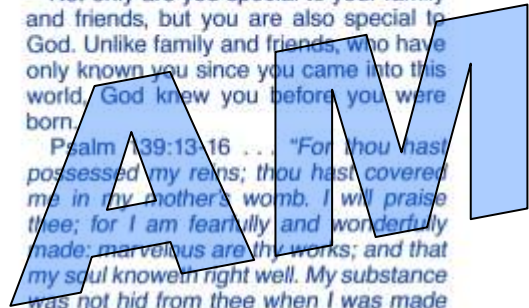
Your birthday is a special day to you and to your family and friends. Because you are special to them, they join you in celebrating this day on which you were born.

Not only are you special to your family and friends, but you are also special to God. Unlike family and friends, who have only known you since you came into this world, God knew you before you were born.

Psalm 139:13-16 . . . "For thou hast possessed my reins; thou hast covered me in my mother's womb. I will praise thee; for I am fearfully and wonderfully made; marvelous are thy works; and that my soul knoweth right well. My substance was not hid from thee when I was made in secret, and curiously wrought in the lowest parts of the earth. Thine eyes did see my substance, yet being unperfect; and in thy book all my members were written, which in continuance were fashioned, when as yet there was none of them."

Not only did God know all about our physical body before birth, he also knows about our spiritual condition.

Our natural birthday indicates when we were born into our family. However, we need another birthday to be born spiritu-



ally into God's family.

We were born with a sinful body that just naturally does wrong. Psalms 51:5 . . . "Behold I was shapen in iniquity; and in sin did my mother conceive me."

Therefore, we need a new birth to go to heaven. John 3:3 . . . "Jesus answered and said unto him, Verily, verily, I say unto thee, except a man be born again, he cannot see the kingdom of God."

Without that new birth, we have no hope of heaven. Romans 6:23 . . . "For the wages of sin is death; but the gift of God is eternal life through Jesus Christ our Lord."

Our natural birth cost us nothing . . . someone else paid the price and suffered the pain to make it possible.

Jesus Christ paid the cost and suffered the pain of Calvary to make it possible for us to be born again.

Even more important than your natural birthday is your spiritual birthday.

If you do not know Christ as your Savior, if you have never been born again, this can be the greatest day of your life! Would you, right now, ask Jesus Christ to forgive your sins and birth you into the family of God.

Romans 10:9 . . . "That if thou shalt confess with thy mouth the Lord Jesus,

and shalt believe in thine heart that God hath raised him from the dead, thou shalt be saved."

Romans 10:13 . . . "For whosoever shall call upon the name of the Lord shall be saved."

We wish you a very Happy Birthday on this your natural birthday, and if you will receive Christ today, this also can become your spiritual birthday!

If you have received Christ as your Savior, you are now born into the family of God. Would you write to us and let us rejoice with you?

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