

Word Study G509 *anōthen* above, again, top Joh 3:3 Born Above

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Introduction

ToDo:

- Clean this up
- This should be in support of future article on John chapter 3

Thayer's says it means **From above, from a higher place, of things which come from heaven.** To me, this sounds like jurisdiction, as in two jurisdiction the heavenly realm and the earthly realm (see Gen 1:1).

Notes

Born Again

Does the implication of 'being born again' mean that you must be dead in the form life to be alive in the current life. Source: Strongly Held Religious Beliefs Memorandum.doc, D:\SkyDrive\Articles\JKM\

Joh 3:3-7 Restored Name KJV ³ Yahushua answered and said unto him, Verily, verily, I say unto thee, Except a man be born again, he cannot see the kingdom of YHVH;. ⁴ Nicodemus saith unto him, How can a man be born when he is old? can he enter the second time into his mothers womb, and be born? ⁵ Yahushua answered, Verily, verily, I say unto thee, Except a man be born of water and of the Spirit, he cannot enter into the kingdom of YHVH;. ⁶ That which is born of the flesh is flesh; and that which is born of the Spirit is spirit. ⁷ Marvel not that I said unto thee, Ye must be born again.

41.2 Malachim MiKadesh

Messengers from Kadesh Dec 23 Num 20:14-22:1 Joh 3:1

G509 *anōthen* ^{KJC 14} above⁶, again³, top³, beginning¹, first¹

ἀνωθεν

Strong's: From [G507](#); *from above*; by analogy *from the first*; by implication *anew*: - from above, again, from the beginning (very first), the top.

Total KJV Occurrences: 14

above, 6 [Joh 3:31](#) (2), [Joh 19:11](#), [Jam 1:17](#), [Jam 3:15](#), [Jam 3:17](#)

again, 3 [Joh 3:3](#), [Joh 3:7](#), [Gal 4:9](#)

top, 3 [Mat 27:51](#), [Mar 15:38](#), [Joh 19:23](#)

beginning, 1 [Act 26:5](#)

first, 1 [Luk 1:3](#)

WordStudy

άνοθεν; adv. from **άνο** (G507), above, and the suffix **-then** denoting from. **From above.**

(I) Of place: from above, from a higher place ([Mat 27:51](#); [Mar 15:38](#); [Joh 19:23](#)). Used in substitution of **ouranóthen** (G3771), from heaven, or **ek tou ouranou** (ek [G1537], from; **tou ouranou** [G3772], the heaven), from the heaven, from God since God dwells in heaven. In [Joh 3:3](#), [Joh 3:7](#), [Joh 3:31](#); [Joh 19:11](#); [Jas 1:17](#), the meaning is from God, implied in the "from above." The wisdom from above in [Jas 3:17](#) is the heavenly or divine wisdom (cf. [Jas 3:15](#); Sept.: [Exo 28:27](#); [Job 3:4](#)).

(II) Of time:

(A) From the first, from the beginning ([Luk 1:3](#); [Act 26:5](#), knowing me from the first [**άνοθεν**], from the earliest age; [Gal 4:9](#), again, from the very beginning, as if you had never been a Christian).

(B) Again, another time as in [Joh 3:3](#), [Joh 3:7](#), "be born again." This could also be translated "to be born from above." Both meanings are correct since this is a birth from God and it is a new birth. In [Joh 3:4](#), Nicodemus clearly takes it to mean to be born a second time (**deúteron** [G1208]).

Syn.: **dís** (G1364), twice; **pálin** (G3825), again; **próteron** (G4386), before, first; **prótos** (G4413), first; **próton** (G4412), firstly, of time; **en arché** (en [G1722], in; **arché** [G746], beginning) from the beginning; **ap' archés** (apó [G575], from, **archés** [n.f.], beginning), from the beginning.

Outline of Biblical Usage

- 1) from above, from a higher place
 - a) of things which come from heaven or God
- 2) from the first, from the beginning, from the very first
- 3) anew, over again

Thayer's

άνωθεν (άνω), adverb;

a. **from above, from a higher place:** *ἀπόάνωθεν* (Winer's Grammar, § 50, 7 N. 1), Matthew 27:51 [Tdf. omits *ἀπό*]; Mark 15:38; *ἐκ τῶν άνωθεν* from the upper part, from the top, John 19:23. Often (also in Greek writings) used **of things which come from heaven, or from God as dwelling in heaven:** John 3:31; John 19:11; James 1:17; James 3:15, 17.

Mat 27:51

And behold, the curtain of the temple was torn in two, from top to bottom. And the earth shook, and the rocks were split.

Mar 15:38

And the curtain of the temple was torn in two, from top to bottom.

Luk 1:3

it seemed good to me also, having followed all things closely for some time past, to write an orderly account for you, most excellent Theophilus,

Joh 3:3

Jesus answered him, “Truly, truly, I say to you, unless one is born again ^{fn} he cannot see the kingdom of God.”

Joh 3:7

Do not marvel that I said to you, ‘You ^{fn} must be born again.’

Joh 3:31

He who comes from above is above all. He who is of the earth belongs to the earth and speaks in an earthly way. He who comes from heaven is above all.

Joh 19:11

Jesus answered him, “You would have no authority over me at all unless it had been given you from above. Therefore he who delivered me over to you has the greater sin.”

Joh 19:23

When the soldiers had crucified Jesus, they took his garments and divided them into four parts, one part for each soldier; also his tunic. ^{fn} But the tunic was seamless, woven in one piece from top to bottom,

Act 26:5

They have known for a long time, if they are willing to testify, that according to the strictest party of our religion I have lived as a Pharisee.

Gal 4:9

But now that you have come to know God, or rather to be known by God, how can you turn back again to the weak and worthless elementary principles of the world, whose slaves you want to be once more?

Jas 1:17

Every good gift and every perfect gift is from above, coming down from the Father of lights with whom there is no variation or shadow due to change. ^{fn}

Jas 3:15

This is not the wisdom that comes down from above, but is earthly, unspiritual, demonic.

Jas 3:17

But the wisdom from above is first pure, then peaceable, gentle, open to reason, full of mercy and good fruits, impartial and sincere

