

Kingdom of God #4 - Born Again
October 19, 2014 - John 3:1-21

Read John 3:1-21

1. Jesus did not let Nicodemus get into his question or purpose for meeting together. When is it a good time to interrupt someone from speaking?
2. What point is Jesus making in v. 6-8?
 - a. Why does Nicodemus not understand what Jesus is saying, even though he was a respected teacher of Israel (v.9-10)?
3. From verses 16-18, what stands out to you about God, what He wants to do, how a person is condemned?
 - a. Assuming v.16 is very well known to you, what does the context in which Jesus said it add to your understanding of what Jesus was saying in v.16?
4. How is Jesus' use of the phrase 'born again' different or similar to the ways you have heard it used?
5. Nicodemus was self-assured in his performance and understanding of the law as being sufficient for God's approval and blessing. How does Jesus' statement in v.3 refute human achievement and performance as the measure God desires from us?
 - a. Should being 'born again' lead us to pride or humility?
 - b. How do we live a 'born again' life? (How did Jesus live?)
 - c. What is the next step God is leading you to take to follow Him as one who is born again?

Scripture Memorization:

John 3:3