Life in the Kingdom

Reborn

John 3:1-21 Pastor Chris Lenhart – June 18, 2023



Further Study What Jesus Knew... (2:23-25) John 1-2 What Nicodemus didn't know... (3:1-2) Reborn (3-8) Look Up, Believe, Life! (9-15) God's Love (16-18) The Human Response (19-21) Reflections, Takeaways, Applications & Next Steps.... Next Week: Life in the Kingdom - "Participation" Ephesians 2:11-22

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Next Steps: Home Group Study and/or Personal Discipleship Guide		
Get together as a family or with a friend or group of friends this week!		Supporting Scripture Jn. 1-2
Start with <u>Prayer</u> -ask Jesus to guide our time together. Go over prayer requests together.		32
Read t	he Text - John 3:1-21	
Quest	ions for Reflection & Discussion:	
	How does the description of Nicodemus, his position, and his authority prepare us for the discussion that he will have with Jesus? What does verse 1 imply about the nature of Nicodemus, and how he thought about salvation?	
2.	What is Nicodemus willing to acknowledge regarding Jesus, and what is he not yet willing to acknowledge? Why is this important? (vs.2)	
3.	Why does Jesus take Nicodemus to the illustration of birth? How is Jesus' illustration an effective tool exposing Nicodemus' own inability? How are our physical and spiritual births similar? How are they different?	<u>Prayer</u> <u>Requests</u> Family
4.	How does Jesus use the illustration of Moses and the serpent in the wilderness to demonstrate to Nicodemus that what truly matters in this life is seeing and relating to Jesus for who he really is?	Church
5.	Talk about the significance of verses 16-18 in your own life. Do you remember when you were first introduced to these verses? What did they mean to you then? How are they still life giving for you today?	Community
6.	Take time in your group to share testimony of how you first came to recognize your need for Jesus. What is your salvation story?	
Questions guiding Spiritual Formation & Application:		Career/Friends
_	How does this text challenge us to grow in a greater love for God?	
	How are we motivated to grow in a greater love for others?	
	How might Jesus be motivating us to apply some of the principles from	_
4.	this passage to our families, careers, communities, or churches? How might Jesus be using us to draw those that do not know him, unto himself?	Other
5.	How can we pray for each other between now and next time?	