

AROUND THE DINNER TABLE

02/21: John 3:1-15

In this week's passage, Jesus talks with a prominent religious leader, Nicodemus, about being "born again."

Discuss why you think Jesus chose this wording.

Why do you think so many people have a negative reaction to the idea of being "born again?"

If you were to stand before God today and He were to ask you, "Why should I let you into my Heaven?" what would you say?

Read Galatians 2:20.

How does this passage in Galatians relate to this week's passage in John?

Discuss what it a life looks like when "it is no longer I who live, but Christ who lives in me." What does this look like in your life this week?

WEEKLY PRAYER FOCUS

Adapted from Rachel Jones' *5 Things to Pray* series.

Father, when I am confused, remind me that your ways are:
HIGHER

Read Isaiah 55:9

Admit to God the truth of this verse: he doesn't run the world in a way that you would, and that is a good thing. Tell him about the doubts you're struggling with and ask him to help you to trust him with them.

NEXT STEPS

Interested in Membership or Baptism?

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LOVE GOD,
LOVE PEOPLE,
SHARE CHRIST. . . *more*

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SERMON PASSAGE

John 3:1-15 (ESV)

¹ Now there was a man of the Pharisees named Nicodemus, a ruler of the Jews. ² This man came to Jesus by night and said to him, “Rabbi, we know that you are a teacher come from God, for no one can do these signs that you do unless God is with him.” ³ Jesus answered him, “Truly, truly, I say to you, unless one is born again he cannot see the kingdom of God.” ⁴ Nicodemus said to him, “How can a man be born when he is old? Can he enter a second time into his mother's womb and be born?” ⁵ Jesus answered, “Truly, truly, I say to you, unless one is born of water and the Spirit, he cannot enter the kingdom of God. ⁶ That which is born of the flesh is flesh, and that which is born of the Spirit is spirit. ⁷ Do not marvel that I said to you, ‘You must be born again.’ ⁸ The wind blows where it wishes, and you hear its sound, but you do not know where it comes from or where it goes. So it is with everyone who is born of the Spirit.”

⁹ Nicodemus said to him, “How can these things be?” ¹⁰ Jesus answered him, “Are you the teacher of Israel and yet you do not understand these things? ¹¹ Truly, truly, I say to you, we speak of what we know, and bear witness to what we have seen, but you do not receive our testimony. ¹² If I have told you earthly things and you do not believe, how can you believe if I tell you heavenly things? ¹³ No one has ascended into heaven except he who descended from heaven, the Son of Man. ¹⁴ And as Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, so must the Son of Man be lifted up, ¹⁵ that whoever believes in him may have eternal life.

SERMON NOTES

February 21, 2021: Pastor Brent Miller

Sermon Series:

That You Might Have Life: A Journey Through the Book of John

Passage: John 3:1-15

Sermon Notes

FURTHER STUDY THIS WEEK

TAKING A CLOSER LOOK

Whether you are meeting with someone this week or you are getting into the Word on your own, we encourage you to work through these questions as you take a deeper look at the sermon passage from this week, or as you dig deeper into the "Read the Bible in Two Years" reading plan that we are currently working through as a church.



1. What are 1-2 things that "shine" from this passage? Whatever impacts the most or draws attention.



2. What are 1-2 things that are difficult to understand in the text, or a question that you would like to ask the writer of the passage or the Lord?



3. What is the central idea of the passage?



4. What are 1-2 personal applications for your own life?



5. With a friend: Find out what is going on in each other's lives. What has been their greatest joy this week? Greatest challenge this week and how they've handled it? What is one area each of you could pray about for each other as it relates to growing with your relationship with the Lord, a spouse, child or friend?

February Memory Verse

1 Corinthians 16:14

Let all that you do be done in love.

For Your Convenience:

Personal Sound Enhancement Receivers available at the Welcome Center