



LifeGroup Discussion Questions

Invitation to Eternal Life | November 28, 2021

Summary

How does one become born again? By sincerely believing in Who Jesus is and what He accomplished on the cross, and planting His roots into our hearts, bringing transformation.

Scripture

The LORD is good, a strong refuge when trouble comes. He is close to those who trust in him.
Nahum 1:7 (NLT)

There was a man named Nicodemus, a Jewish religious leader who was a Pharisee. After dark one evening, he came to speak with Jesus. “Rabbi,” he said, “we all know that God has sent you to teach us. Your miraculous signs are evidence that God is with you.”

Jesus replied, “I tell you the truth, unless you are born again, you cannot see the Kingdom of God.”

“What do you mean?” exclaimed Nicodemus. “How can an old man go back into his mother’s womb and be born again?”

Jesus replied, “I assure you, no one can enter the Kingdom of God without being born of water and the Spirit. Humans can reproduce only human life, but the Holy Spirit gives birth to spiritual life. So don’t be surprised when I say, ‘You must be born again.’ The wind blows wherever it wants. Just as you can hear the wind but can’t tell where it comes from or where it is going, so you can’t explain how people are born of the Spirit.”

“How are these things possible?” Nicodemus asked.

Jesus replied, “You are a respected Jewish teacher, and yet you don’t understand these things? I assure you, we tell you what we know and have seen, and yet you won’t believe our testimony. But if you don’t believe me when I tell you about earthly things, how can you possibly believe if I tell you about heavenly things? No one has ever gone to heaven and returned. But the Son of Man has come down from heaven. And as Moses lifted up the bronze snake on a pole in the wilderness, so the Son of Man must be lifted up, so that everyone who believes in him will have eternal life.

“For this is how God loved the world: He gave his one and only Son, so that everyone who believes in him will not perish but have eternal life. God sent his Son into the world not to judge the world, but to save the world through him. -John 3:1-17 (NLT)

Those who are dominated by the sinful nature think about sinful things, but those who are controlled by the Holy Spirit think about things that please the Spirit. So letting your sinful nature control your mind leads to death. But letting the Spirit control your mind leads to life and peace. For the sinful nature is always hostile to God. It never did obey God's laws, and it never will. -Romans 8:5-7 (NLT)

“Look! I stand at the door and knock. If you hear my voice and open the door, I will come in, and we will share a meal together as friends.” -Revelation 3:20 (NLT)

Let's Start

Like Nicodemus, have you ever met someone who really impressed you with his or her abilities and character? Have you had a mentor like that?

Gratitude and Prayer

How did God work in your life since the last time we were together? What is He doing through you as it relates to your Adopt 7?

Let's Talk

1. When would you say you were born again?
2. How would you describe what it means to be born again to someone?
3. How do you respond to the statistic Pastor Dale shared that nearly 70% of born again Christians disagree with the Biblical position that Jesus is the only way to God?
4. Pastor Dale shared the top three reasons the born again Christians in question 3 chose to not share their faith:
 - 1) They can get to heaven through their different religious belief.
 - 2) We shouldn't impose our ideas on others.
 - 3) The Bible tells us not to judge others.Do you find these “reasons” creeping into your mind as you think about sharing your faith in Christ? Why or why not?
5. All our best efforts and good works do not get us into heaven. What does? Why is that idea so difficult to grasp for so many people?

