

## **Dangers of Calvinism**

### **John 3:1-21**

#### **I. CONDITION: "you must be born again" (vv.1-8)**

##### **A. Perspective: "the kingdom of God" (vv.1-3)**

1. Religion: "Pharisees...Jews" (vv.1-2)
  
2. Regeneration: "born again...kingdom" (v.3)

##### **B. Perplexity: "Do not marvel" (vv.4-8)**

1. Response: "a man...born when he is old?" (v.4)
  
2. Requirement: "You must be born again" (vv.5-8)

#### **II. CONFUSION: "earthly...heavenly" (vv.9-15)**

##### **A. Reaction: "you do not receive our witness" (vv.9-12)**

1. Denial: "How can these things be?" (v.9)
  
2. Danger: "how shall you believe?" (vv.10-12)

##### **B. Recognition: "the Son of Man" (vv.13-15)**

1. Incarnation: "He who descended from heaven" (v.13)
  
2. Crucifixion: "the Son of Man lifted up" (vv.14-15)

#### **III. CHOICES: "whoever believes...saved" (vv.16-21)**

##### **A. Salvation: "the world...saved" (vv.16-18)**

1. Gift: "that whoever believes" (v.16)
  
2. Goal: "that the world should be saved" (vv.17-18)

##### **B. Separation: "darkness rather than the light" (vv.19-21)**

1. Rejects: "evil hates the light" (vv.19-20)
  
2. Receives: "truth comes to the light" (v.21)

*Next week: **Read Ephesians 1:3-14***