

“You Must Born Again”

A Case Study In Christ’s Method Of Evangelism

John 3:1-8

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Heaven is breaking in upon the earth! The NT introduces us to converts (Rom. 16:5; 1 Cor. 16:15), and joyfully relates the “conversion of the Gentiles” (Acts 15:3). Conversions in the NT are presented uniformly as normal though supernatural occurrences. The Apostle John confirms Nicodemus’ subsequent conversion and devotion to Christ (see 7:50 and 19:39). But here he presents the “Nicodemus case study:” a chronicle of late-night conversations between Jesus and this remarkable man. Learn how the doctrine of regeneration humbles human hearts and emboldens us to confidently share our faith.

I. NICODEMUS: the _____ to whom Jesus is witnessing.

1. He was a _____.
2. He was _____ in his conduct.
3. He was a political _____ in Israel.

II. NIGHTTIME: proclaiming Christ _____ and quietly.

1. Why at _____? For the world, honest discussions with believers are _____.
2. Why did Nicodemus come? Jesus focused the conversation on _____.
3. Many would receive from Jesus new _____. He requires a _____.

III. NEW BIRTH: the doctrine of _____ (Titus 3:5).

1. It takes us to the _____ room. Such a birth must occur in your _____.
2. By this work of God the sinner is _____ in and to newness of life.
3. The _____ of his heart is “washed” away, and he is “born of the _____.”
4. By this _____ work we are enabled to “see” and “_____” God’s kingdom.

VI. NECESSITY: “You _____ be born again.”

1. However you came to Christ, you are the object of God’s _____ work.
2. Use “born again” language in evangelism not as a cliché but as a _____.
3. The _____ and prayer are indispensable _____ in evangelism.