

To Be Born Again

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John 2:23-3:21

- I. Jesus and Nicodemus
 - A. In Jerusalem, working miracles (see Mark 7:36; 8:30; 9:9; Luke 5:14; 8:56)
 - B. Nicodemus and his visit (see John 1:19, 24)
 - C. Jesus the counselor
- II. The Need for New Birth
 - A. Seeing the kingdom of God
 - B. You must be born again!
- III. The Source of New Birth
 - A. What is Jesus talking about? (see Ezekiel 36:25-27; see also Jeremiah 31:33-34; Ezekiel 11:19-20)
 - B. Of water and the Spirit
 - C. The unpredictable Spirit (see Jonah 2:9; Ecclesiastes 11:5; Revelation 7:10)
- IV. Love, Faith, and the New Birth
 - A. How do you know when are born again? (John 3:16, 36; Numbers 21:8-9; Luke 14:27)
 - B. The love behind the New Birth
- V. The Division of New Birth
 - A. There is no gap between believing and obeying
 - B. The greatest difference in the world
 - C. A love given by God's love (see John 8:12)
 - D. Therefore: believe, pray, and rejoice

Yohana 2:23-3:21/John 2:23-3:21

2:23 Hata alipokuwapo Yerusalemu kwenye sikukuu wakati wa Pasaka, watu wengi waliamini jina lake, walipoziona ishara zake alizozifanya. 24 Lakini Yesu hakujiaminisha kwao; kwa kuwa yeye aliwajua wote; 25 na kwa sababu hakuwa na haja ya mtu kushuhudia habari za mwanadamu; kwa maana yeye mwenyewe alijua yaliyomo ndani ya mwanadamu.

3:1 Basi palikuwa na mtu mmoja wa Mafarisayo, jina lake Nikodemo, mkuu wa Wayahudi. 2 Huyu alimjia usiku, akamwambia, Rabi, twajua ya kuwa u mwalimu, umetoka kwa Mungu; kwa maana hakuna mtu awezaye kuzifanya ishara hizi uzifanyazo wewe, isipokuwa Mungu yu pamoja naye. 3 Yesu akajibu, akamwambia, Amin, amin, nakuambia, Mtu asipozaliwa mara ya pili, hawezi kuuona ufalme wa Mungu. 4 Nikodemo

2:23 Now when he was in Jerusalem at the Passover Feast, many believed in his name when they saw the signs that he was doing. 24 But Jesus on his part did not entrust himself to them, because he knew all people 25 and needed no one to bear witness about man, for he himself knew what was in man.

3:1 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