

John 3:1-36

Tuesday Bible Study: Week 4



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1. Nicodemus comes to Jesus at night. Why do you think John tells us that detail? If you could approach Jesus face to face, how would you do it? Boldly, or cautiously? Why?
2. Jesus tells Nicodemus that no one can see the kingdom of God without being “born from above” (or “born again”). When you hear that phrase, what comes to mind? What do you think Jesus is actually describing in this conversation?
3. Nicodemus struggles to understand Jesus because he keeps thinking in literal terms. Have you ever found yourself trying to explain away something wonderful, mysterious, or impossible?
4. Jesus compares the Spirit to the wind—uncontrollable, unseen, but undeniably real. Where in your life have you experienced God’s movement in ways you couldn’t predict or control?
5. In verses 14–15, Jesus references the bronze serpent lifted up in the wilderness (Numbers 21). What connections do you see between this passage and John’s gospel so far?

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6. The passage contrasts people who love darkness with those who come into the light. What do you think Jesus is referring to here? What makes darkness attractive? Why do people resist coming into the light?

7. John the Baptist says, “He must increase, but I must decrease.” What might “decreasing” look like in your daily life—not in self-rejection, but in rightly ordered love?

8. The chapter ends by contrasting believing in the Son with rejecting him—not as abstract theology, but as a lived reality.