

## NO ONE IS SO GOOD • JOHN 3:1-18

Read John 3:1-8

1. What is a Pharisee?
2. Why do you think Nicodemus came to Jesus at night?
3. If someone were to ask you what it means to be “born again,” what would you say?
4. Given his religious credentials, how do you think Nicodemus felt when Jesus said he wasn’t able to enter the kingdom of God based on his deeds?
5. In John 3:4, Nicodemus understands Jesus’ words only at a surface level. This happens several times in the Book of John. Look up these other examples of misunderstanding and summarize your findings.

John 2:19-20

John 6:4

John 11:11-14

6. What point is John making by recording these misunderstandings?

In John 3:5, Jesus says you must be born of “water and Spirit.” This is most likely a reference to Ezekiel 36:24-27, which was a well known verse to all Jews, and why Jesus is somewhat stunned that Israel’s leading teacher is baffled.

7. Look up Ezekiel 36: 24-27 and summarize what it says.
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
8. What does Jesus mean in verse 8 by the analogy about the wind and the Spirit?

Read John 3:8-18

9. In verse 16 what two possible destinies does Jesus mention?
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
10. What did God do so we could have eternal life and not perish?
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
11. Jesus compares His crucifixion with Moses lifting up “the snake in the desert.” What do you remember of this story (Numbers 21) that helps clarify what Jesus means?
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
12. Why did God make a way for us to receive eternal life and not perish, and what must we do to receive it?
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
13. In your own words how would you summarize the gospel message?

Memory Verse

John 3:16 "For God so loved the world that he gave his one and only Son, that whoever believes in him shall not perish but have eternal life."