



Devotion Info
Believing In Jesus

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John 3:1-8 NLT

- Why is Nicodemus coming at night?
- How does your answer to this question impact your life and the way you approach Jesus?

Application:

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- Explain the importance of the phrase "born again" and what it means to your belief in Christ?

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- How do the words "see" in verse 3 and the word "enter" in verse 5 impact your belief in a literal Heaven?
- How does your understanding of a literal heaven impact your belief of Jesus Christ?

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- Has your view of religion hindered your ability to accept the words and testimony of Jesus? If so, how?

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DAY 5 Read John 3:10-18

[10] Jesus replied, "You are a respected Jewish teacher, and yet you don't understand these things? [11] I assure you, we tell you what we know and have seen, and yet you won't believe our testimony. [12] But if you don't believe me when I tell you about earthly things, how can you possibly believe if I tell you about heavenly things? [13] No one has ever gone to heaven and returned. But the Son of Man has come down from heaven. [14] And as Moses lifted up the bronze snake on a pole in the wilderness, so the Son of Man must be lifted up, [15] so that everyone who believes in him will have eternal life. [16] "For this is how God loved the world: He gave his one and only Son, so that everyone who believes in him will not perish but have eternal life. [17] God sent his Son into the world not to judge the world, but to save the world through him. [18] "There is no judgment against anyone who believes in him. But anyone who does not believe in him has already been judged for not believing in God's one and only Son."

John 3:10-18 NLT

- How does John 3:16 affect your self-worth and impact your understanding of the value that God sees in your life and the life of Nicodemus?

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