

Born Again?
Lead/Founding Pastor: Ryan Rice
John 3:1-10,ESV

The Passage

John 3:1-7, ESV

Who was Nicodemus?

- ✓ Religious
- ✓ Rich
- ✓ Ruler

What Does Being "Born Again" Mean?

It's a mysterious act in which God imparts new life for salvation.

1. It's a work of God, not of man.

Ezekiel 36:26-27, John 1:12-13, Ephesians 2:1-5, 1 Peter 1:3

2. It happens before saving faith.

John 3:5, John 6:44, John 6:65, Acts 16:14

3. It leads to new life.

1 John 5:4, Galatians 5:22-23, 1 John 5:18

What Does This Mean For Us?

1. Evaluate the evidence in our own lives.

2 Corinthians 13:5, Matthew 7:15-20

2. Share Scripture with others.

John 3:16, John 10:10

3. Share more meals with others.

Luke 19:10, Luke 7:33-34

Born Again?
Lead/Founding Pastor: Ryan Rice
John 3:1-10,ESV

Talk It Over

Ice Breaker - We are nearing the holiday season. Are there any traditions that you are already preparing for?

1. Take a moment to read the passage. What stood out to you and why?
2. Take a moment to review the message outline. What stood out to you and why?
3. Have you been born again? Is there evidence of the new birth in your life? Do you remember a specific time when this occurred in your life? Can you describe how you knew that something had happened?
4. If you (or friends who come to you) are not sure whether you have been born again, what would Scripture encourage you to do in order to gain greater assurance (or to be truly born again for the first time)? Consider John 3:16.
5. If being born again is entirely a work of God and human beings can do nothing to bring it about, then what good does it do to preach the gospel to people at all? Is it somewhat absurd and a waste of time if they are spiritually dead? How do you resolve this question? Look up what the Bible tells us to do. (Mark 16:15, Matthew 28:19).