

John Chapter 3

1. Who was this Nicodemus who came to talk to Jesus?
2. Why does Nicodemus come to talk with Jesus at night?
3. What had Nicodemus concluded about who Jesus was and where he came from?
4. What did Jesus say about what a person needs in order to see the kingdom of heaven?
5. How did Nicodemus respond to Jesus' statement? What do you think his attitude was?
6. What two births does Jesus mention here? What does he mean by each?
7. What does Jesus compare the Spirit to in verse eight?
8. How does Jesus describe Nicodemus in verse ten? What does this tell you about Nicodemus?
9. To what Old Testament symbol does Jesus compare himself to in verse 14?
10. To what is Jesus referring when He says that the Son of Man must be "lifted up"?
11. For what reason did God send his only Son into the world?
12. What reason does Jesus give in verse 19 for the way he was to be treated by the Jews?
13. Read John 19:38-42. After seeing what Nicodemus did after Jesus death, what do you think was the result of his conversation with Jesus in John 3?
14. What new titles do you see for Jesus in this chapter?
15. What does the argument in verse 25 concern?

16. Does JTB seem to be upset about his disciples going over to Jesus?
17. What did John think about his status compared to that of Jesus?
18. What will happen to the one who rejects the Son of God?

Digging Deeper:

1. Compare the meaning of what Jesus said to Nicodemus in verse 12 to what Paul wrote in 1 Corinthians 1:18 and 2:14-15. Do you think they were saying the same thing? Why or Why not?
2. One of the most common names Jesus used to speak of Himself was "Son of Man." Why do you think he would use this description if He claimed to be the Son of God?
3. Verse 14 refers to an incident which is recorded in Numbers 21. Why do you think Jesus would compare Himself to a snake? What does the comparison tell about Jesus mission?
4. What do you learn about God in versed 16-21? About humanity?

