

“You Must Be Born Again” John 3:1-21

I. Jesus Conversation with Nicodemus Over The New Birth

A. The Nature of the New Birth (John 3:1-9)

1. The men involved (3:1-2a)

* Who is Nicodemus?

- Why did he come to Jesus at night?

2. Their conversation:

a. Nicodemus _____ of Jesus includes: (3:2b)

b. Jesus' statement of Nicodemus's great _____ (3:3) – to get into the kingdom of God you must be “_____”

What does “born again” mean? (anōthen) literally means “_____”.

* Is there a difference between the Kingdom of God and the Kingdom of Heaven?

c. Nicodemus's question (3:4) – “*How is this new birth*_____”?

d. Jesus _____ of the issue includes: (3:5-8)

- Being born again of _____ – what does this mean?

- Understanding the difference between “flesh & spirit”
- Bottom Line: “Nicodemus,... You _____be born again”
- Jesus _____ of the new birth: (3:8) - The _____

B. The Means of the New Birth (John 3:10-21)

1. Nicodemus’ _____(3:9-10) – “How can _____be?” (vs 9)

Jesus’ reply - “You’re **the teacher** in Israel & you don’t know these things?” (vs 10)

- So where do we find the new birth in the OT?

2. More clarification from Jesus (3:11-13) – “You are not receiving our _____to you”

“You need to be _____what we have said, and your_____!”

3. An O.T illustration & a contrast (3:14-15; Numbers 21:5-9)

4. The need to _____so you can be born again (3:16-21)

* What does this mean to you?