

HANOVERDALE CHURCH

Gospel of John

You Must Be Born Again

DEVOTIONALS FOR THE WEEK OF:

November 10, 2024

This week we dig more deeply into arguably the most famous of passages in the Bible.

Monday: John 3:1-10

Who was Nicodemas? As a religious leader what should He have known about God? What about Jesus? Why did he have no clue about spiritual birth? What is your understanding about what it means to be born again? How is spiritual birth different from a physical birth? What must a person do to be born again? Spend time today, praying through what this means to you.

Tuesday: John 3:11-15; 1 Thessalonians 4:13-18

How does a person begin to understand heavenly or spiritual things? Do you believe that there is life after death? How does one ascend into heaven? What does scripture say about who will be there? Who was lifted up to heaven as the 'first fruits'? Are you part of those who will be caught up to meet Jesus in the air? What happens to the person when that happens? Today, ask Jesus to prepare your heart to be caught up to heaven.

Wednesday: John 3:16-18; 1 John 2:15-17

Who does God love? How did He show that love? How does a person not perish and be separated from God? Explain the difference between eternal life and eternal separation from God. What does one have to believe to be a recipient of eternal life? Did Jesus come to condemn us sinners? Why did He come? Today give God glory for making a way for us.

Thursday: John 3:18-21

How can you be sure to not be condemned by the Lord? What is said about the person who chooses to reject God? What is the darkness that many people believe? What is the Light that we are supposed to believe in?

Friday: Romans 5:9; 1 Thessalonians 5:9; Romans 6:23

From what are we saved? What is God's wrath? Why is it a bad position to have to be incurring God's wrath? What does it mean to you that you could be separated from God, His love, His mercy. His grace? Explain God's judgment against sin. What sin do

you need to give to God today so that you are free from God's judgment of sin? Have all your sins been removed? Today, thank God that you are saved from both the power and penalty of sin.

Saturday:John 7:50-51; John 19:38-42

Looking back at Nicodemus. Who was he before meeting with Jesus in secret in ch. 3? After Jesus explained to him about eternal life, how did his life change? What does John 7 show about Nicodemus in his attitude toward Jesus after becoming a quiet follower? How do you think it was different from the other Pharisees? How had his countenance changed between coming to Jesus in secret and what John 19 says about receiving His body in death? From whom did ask for His earthly remains? Should they have been afraid of Pilate? Why? What does that say to you about your commitment to Christ? Are you a secret Christian or are you becoming more bold in serving Him? Today, ask God for opportunities to defend Christ before others.