

**Sermon Audio Input**

Full Msg. Title: You Must Be Born Again  
Short Ver. Title: John 017  
Series Title: The Gospel of John  
Text: John 3:1-8  
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**Message Outline**

## **You Must be Born Again**

### **What is Necessary in order to See and Enter the Kingdom of God**

- I. The Problem: Misunderstanding God**
- II. The Solution: Being Born Again**
- III. Solving the Problem in Our Own Lives**

**Please See**

Pastor Kit Culver's sermon and study notes for his John 017 message, "Jesus' Encounter with Nicodemus - Part One" from 11/15/15.

**Examine the Scriptures (Be Berean!)**

- John 2:23-25
- John 3:1-8

**Consider & Discuss (Be Transformed!)**

- What was the problem faced by the "many" who "believed" that John wrote of (2:23-25)?
- Note what John says about who Nicodemus was. Note the next person Jesus dialogues with in ch 4:7ff; and the next in 4:43ff; and the next in 5:1ff. What observations about Jesus self disclosure can you make?
- Pastor Kit sees an implied question behind Nicodemus' statement in verse 2. What question do you see?
- What problem does Jesus surface in v. 3?
- What is "the kingdom of God"?
- How would you characterize Nicodemus' thinking in v.4?
- What solution does Jesus say is required to remedy the problem?
- What does it mean to be born again (3, 7), born of water and the Spirit (5), born of the Spirit (6, 8)?
- What is the point of the comparison John is making in v. 8?
- **Community Group Discussion: What of Nicodemus' problem do people still face? How is that problem remedied today? In what sense is Nicodemus' problem your problem? What would God have you do about it?**

**Memory & Meditation Verse**

"Jesus answered and said to him, **"Truly, truly, I say to you, unless one is born again he cannot see the kingdom of God."**"  
John 2:19

**Community Life**

- **Don't miss out and don't hold out. For your good, that of others and for the glory of God, be an active part of the community of believers!**

**Next Sunday**

01/31/16 -- John 3:9-21, Jesus with Nicodemus, Part 2