
SERMON NOTES AND SCRIPTURE

John 3:3–8

3 Jesus replied, “Very truly I tell you, no one can see the kingdom of God unless they are born again.” 4 “How can someone be born when they are old?” Nicodemus asked. “Surely they cannot enter a second time into their mother’s womb to be born!” 5 Jesus answered, “Very truly I tell you, no one can enter the kingdom of God unless they are born of water and the Spirit. 6 Flesh gives birth to flesh, but the Spirit gives birth to spirit. 7 You should not be surprised at my saying, ‘You must be born again.’ 8 The wind blows wherever it pleases. You hear its sound, but you cannot tell where it comes from or where it is going. So it is with everyone born of the Spirit.”

Romans 10:9–13

9 If you declare with your mouth, “Jesus is Lord,” and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved. 10 For it is with your heart that you believe and are justified, and it is with your mouth that you profess your faith and are saved. 11 As Scripture says, “Anyone who believes in him will never be put to shame.” 12 For there is no difference between Jew and Gentile—the same Lord is Lord of all and richly blesses all who call on him, 13 for, “Everyone who calls on the name of the Lord will be saved.”

Matthew 22:37–39

37 Jesus replied: “‘Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind.’ 38 This is the first and greatest commandment. 39 And the second is like it: ‘Love your neighbor as yourself.’

(Also, 2 Peter 3:10–14, 1 John 1:9 and Matthew 25:46)

GROUP DISCUSSION

Please review the Statement of Faith and Scriptures together as a group.

Who has the Lord been prompting you to share your faith with recently? How have you seen the Holy Spirit work in that situation?

In reference to spiritual living, Pastor Luke said, “Mark the fleshly areas that are present in your life—and the spiritual fruit that is absent. Then go to God.” How can you do this during the upcoming week? What are you asking God for?

Read 1 John 1:9. Is there anything you need to confess?

Are you expectant of the Lord’s return? How are you preparing for it? How is it informing your decisions?

Are there any of our Statements of Faith that you are struggling with or having a difficult time understanding?