

Small Group Discussion Prep:

John 3:1-21

Preparation for Sunday Worship:

- Pray for God to illuminate the truth of His word and apply it to your own heart.
- Read John 3 from start to finish in one sitting
- Read John 3:1-15 five additional times

*Optional Deeper Study: Use www.blueletterbible.org for word study

1. Identify at least three key words in this passage? Why are these words important to the meaning of the text?
2. Identify the verbs and find their tense (past, present, etc..) and voice (active / passive / middle)?
3. What conclusions can you draw from the verb tense and voice?
4. Summarize this passage, in your own words, into one sentence.
5. Block Diagram these verses
6. Read 2-3 commentaries on this text.
7. Do an in-depth word study of the key terms you listed.

Monthly REACH Theme: Extracurricular Activities Parents or Coaches

Memory work

Review

Small Group Questions

1. Discuss the three reasons Jesus gives Nicodemus as to why he must believe Jesus's teaching. How do these reasons encourage our faith in Jesus and His word?
2. Consider the illustration of the bronze serpent in Numbers 21. How does that help us understand our need for salvation and what it means to look to Jesus in faith.
3. Discuss the fact that the new birth precedes our response to the gospel in faith. Why must the new birth come first?
4. How should this passage produce gratitude in us for Christ's sacrifice on the cross?

Core Questions

- What is God teaching you about Himself from His Word, and how is your life different/changing as a result?
- How have you seen God answering prayer? What are you praying for?
- How is God using you in the process of evangelism to draw people up Himself?
- What sins has God revealed to you so that you might repent of them? In light of grace realities, what must that repentance look like?