

# SERMON APPLICATION SHEET FOR:

Rev. Jon Dunning

You Must Be Born Again

John 3:1-16

November 17, 2019

## Sermon Text

**John 3:1** Now there was a man of the Pharisees named Nicodemus, a ruler of the Jews. [2] This man came to Jesus by night and said to him, "Rabbi, we know that you are a teacher come from God, for no one can do these signs that you do unless God is with him." [3] Jesus answered him, "Truly, truly, I say to you, unless one is born again he cannot see the kingdom of God." [4] Nicodemus said to him, "How can a man be born when he is old? Can he enter a second time into his mother's womb and be born?" [5] Jesus answered, "Truly, truly, I say to you, unless one is born of water and the Spirit, he cannot enter the kingdom of God. [6] That which is born of the flesh is flesh, and that which is born of the Spirit is spirit. [7] Do not marvel that I said to you, 'You must be born again.' [8] The wind blows where it wishes, and you hear its sound, but you do not know where it comes from or where it goes. So it is with everyone who is born of the Spirit." [9] Nicodemus said to him, "How can these things be?" [10] Jesus answered him, "Are you the teacher of Israel and yet you do not understand these things? [11] Truly, truly, I say to you, we speak of what we know, and bear witness to what we have seen, but you do not receive our testimony. [12] If I have told you earthly things and you do not believe, how can you believe if I tell you heavenly things? [13] No one has ascended into heaven except he who descended from heaven, the Son of Man. [14] And as Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, so must the Son of Man be lifted up, [15] that whoever believes in him may have eternal life. [16] "For God so loved the world, that he gave his only Son, that whoever believes in him should not perish but have eternal life.

## Sermon Notes

### Memory verse for 2019-

Acts 10:42-43

- [42] And he (Christ) commanded us to preach to the people and to testify that he is the one appointed by God to be judge of the living and the dead.
- [43] To him all the prophets bear witness that everyone who believes in him receives forgiveness of sins through his name.

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## Sermon Application Questions

1. What does it look like today for people to know the vocabulary and the rules of Christianity, but are not born again?

2. In his conversation with Nicodemus Jesus claimed supreme authority for himself. How does it look for Jesus to be the unparalleled authority in your work, play, marriage or neighborhood?

3. How do we make sure the church does not become a self-help club for pep talks?

4. What did Jon mean when he said we should not think of church like a gym to get fit, or a library to get knowledge? How should we see the church?

5. Discuss how we can put together the call to believe on Christ knowing that it requires the work of the Holy Spirit? How does this keep us humble?

## Prayer Requests

This week our family will lift up requests for:

This week our family will praise the Lord for:

HFG Notes & Actions:

Next HFG meeting is: