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Worship Service
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ALTERED: Encounters with Jesus

Lesson One • John 3:1-16

Nic at Night

Encounters with Jesus

Meet the One who can CHANGE your life. The one common factor in the Gospels is that when people encounter Jesus they are changed.

An Encounter with Jesus at Night

Do GOOD people go to heaven?

A Good Man Encounters Jesus at Night

1. Nicodemus Represents People Who Think Religious CREDENTIALS Are Sufficient to Save! John 3:1-2

Nicodemus' Credentials

- Nicodemus was extremely RELIGIOUS as a Pharisee.

- Nicodemus was highly RESPECTED as a ruler of the Jews.

2. Jesus Answers That Religious Credentials Are INSUFFICIENT to Save! John 3:3

Do "good people" go to heaven?

Good people won't go to heaven as long as they trust in their GOODNESS to get them there because being good or religious is never enough.

3. Jesus Explains That the NEW BIRTH Is the Only Sufficient Credential to Save! John 3:4-16

New Birth Explained

- The new birth is a NECESSITY for entrance into Heaven.

- The new birth is a MYSTERY that must be accepted by faith.

So if "good people" don't go to heaven, who does?

People who are "BORN AGAIN" go to heaven.

New Birth Experienced

- ADMIT your need fully, realizing you are a sinner.
- COME to Jesus personally, believing He died on the Cross for you.
- TRUST Jesus Christ completely, repenting of your sin and by faith receiving Him as your Savior and Lord.

A prayer to help you express your need to be born again: "Heaven Father, I know that I'm a sinner and I need Your forgiveness. I believe that Jesus is the Savior who died to pay the penalty for my sin and rose again. I want to turn from my sins and follow You instead. Please forgive me and save me. I receive Your Son Jesus by faith as my Savior and Lord. In Jesus' name, Amen."