

JESUS

the **Way** — the **Truth** — the **Life**

A Journey Through the Gospel of John

IceBreaker: What was the season in your life where you felt like you had the most questions or the most confusion?

Introduction *(Read aloud before discussion.)*

This week, we are looking at the famous conversation that Jesus had with Nicodemus at night that literally changed the whole trajectory of Nicodemus's life.

Sermon Discussion *(Use as a guide for dialogue; let God lead, and read the verses aloud.)*

1. **John 3:1-2.** Who was Nicodemus, and why would he choose to come to Jesus at night? Talk about what “*night*” could signify in John's gospel.
2. Notice Nicodemus's deep confusion. Why was Nicodemus confused about Jesus?
3. Travis mentioned that faith emerges out of darkness and confusion, and that faith deepens out of darkness and confusion. What do you think?
4. **John 3:3-4.** Nicodemus was told that he must start over! Can you be religious and not be alive? Can you be involved in all kinds of religious activities and not be spiritually vibrant?
5. Nicodemus did not expect to hear what he heard from Jesus. Why, in the midst of darkness, do we often hear something completely unexpected?
6. **John 3:5-9.** Nicodemus is learning that he can't control, arrange, or demand spiritual transformation. Why is submission, surrender, and letting go of control so crucial to spiritual transformation?
7. How are you being invited to let go?