

## John 20:30-31

Jesus performed many other signs in the presence of His disciples, which are not recorded in this book. But these are written that you may believe that Jesus is the Messiah, the Son of God, and that by believing you may have life in His name.

- I once was bitter, but now I am thankful for my struggles.
- I once was a drug addict, but now I'm saved in Jesus Christ.
- I once was judgmental, but now I'm not.
- I once was selfish, but now I live to serve God's purpose.
- I once was lonely, but now I have community.
- I once was rooted in anger, but now I am centered in God's peace.
- I once was afraid, but now I'm confident that MY SAVIOR is in charge of all!
- I once was ashamed, but now I'm free!
- I once was an orphan, now I'm adopted.
- I once saw no evidence, now I see it everywhere.
- I once was haughty, I once thought I had all the answers. I now know Jesus is the answer.

## John 3:1-16

Now there was a Pharisee, a man named Nicodemus who was a member of the Jewish ruling council. He came to Jesus at night and said, “Rabbi, we know that You are a teacher who has come from God. For no one could perform the signs You are doing if God were not with Him.”

Jesus replied, “Very truly I tell you, no one can see the kingdom of God unless they are born again.”

“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!”

## John 3:1-16

Jesus answered, “Very truly I tell you, no one can enter the kingdom of God unless they are born of water and the Spirit. Flesh gives birth to flesh, but the Spirit gives birth to spirit. You should not be surprised at My saying, ‘You must be born again.’ 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.”

“How can this be?” Nicodemus asked.

“You are Israel’s teacher,” said Jesus, “and do you not understand these things? Very truly I tell you, we speak of what we know, and we testify to what we have seen, but still you people do not accept our testimony. I have spoken to you of earthly things and you do not believe; how then will you believe if I speak of heavenly things?”

## John 3:1-16

No one has ever gone into heaven except the one who came from heaven—the Son of Man. Just as Moses lifted up the snake in the wilderness, so the Son of Man must be lifted up, that everyone who believes may have eternal life in Him.” For God so loved the world that He gave His one and only Son, that whoever believes in Him shall not perish but have eternal life.

**3 necessary elements  
of life transformation:**

An uncomfortable truth

An outside help

A new life

## John 3:1

“Now there was a Pharisee, a man named Nicodemus who was a member of the Jewish ruling council.”

## John 3:2

“Rabbi,” he said, “we all know that God has sent You to teach us. Your miraculous signs are evidence that God is with You.”

Jesus replied, “I tell you the truth, unless you are born again, you cannot see the Kingdom of God.”

“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!”

Jesus answered, “Very truly I tell you, no one can enter the Kingdom of God unless they are born of water and the Spirit. Flesh gives birth to flesh, but the Spirit gives birth to spirit. You should not be surprised at My saying, ‘You must be born again.’

**An Uncomfortable Truth:**

“...I will take you out of the nations; I will gather you from all the countries and bring you back into your own land. I will sprinkle **clean water** on you, and you will be clean; I will cleanse you from all your impurities and from all your idols I will give you a **new heart** and put a **new spirit** in you; I will remove from you your heart of stone and give you a **heart of flesh**. And I will put **My Spirit** in you and move you to follow My decrees and be careful to keep My laws. Then you will live in the land I gave your ancestors; you will be My people, and I will be your God.”

## **An Outside Help**

“You are Israel’s teacher,” said Jesus, “and do you not understand these things?... I have spoken to you of earthly things and you do not believe; how then will you believe if I speak of heavenly things? No one has ever gone into heaven except the one who came from heaven- the Son of Man.

## John 3:10,12-15

“Just as Moses lifted up the snake in the wilderness, so the Son of Man must be lifted up, that everyone who believes may have eternal life in Him.”

## Numbers 21:8

The Lord told Moses, “Make a snake and put it up on a pole; anyone who is bitten can look up at it and live.”

## Acts 2:38

“Repent and be baptized, every one of you, in the name of Jesus Christ for the **forgiveness** of your sins. And you will **receive the gift of the Holy Spirit.**”

## 1 Peter 1:3

“Praise be to the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ! In His great mercy **He has given us new birth into a living hope** through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead...”

## Titus 3:5

“He saved us, not because of righteous things we had done, but because of His mercy. **He saved us through the washing of rebirth and renewal by the Holy Spirit.**”

## Romans 6:4

“We were therefore buried with Him through baptism into death in order that, just as Christ was raised from the dead through the glory of the Father, we too may **live new life.**”

## 2 Corinthians 5:17

“This means that anyone who belongs to Christ has become a **new person**. The old life is gone; **a new life has begun!**”

**A New Life**

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world...**

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**John 7:51**

“Is it legal to convict a man before  
he is given a hearing?”

## John 19:38-40

“Later, Joseph of Arimathea asked Pilate for the body of Jesus. Now Joseph was a disciple of Jesus, but secretly because he feared the Jewish leaders. With Pilate's permission, he came and took the body away. He was accompanied by (who?) Nicodemus, the man who earlier had visited Jesus at night.

## John 19:38-40

Nicodemus brought a mixture of myrrh and aloes, about seventy-five pounds. Taking Jesus' body, the two of them wrapped it, with the spices, in strips of linen. This was in accordance with Jewish burial customs.”

## John 3:21

“Whoever lives by the truth comes  
into the light...”