

Sunday, May 21, 2017

Faith vs Formula
Sermon # 7, John 3:1-12

***Main Point:** To challenge people to realize that being saved is not about what we can do but what Jesus has done for us. It is a change of heart not outward actions.*

Getting to Know You

- How would you define what the term “Born Again” means? How would friends that are not believers define it?

Getting into the Book: Read John 3:1-12

- Why do you think Nicodemus wanted to talk with Jesus?
- How would you have reacted if Jesus told you what he told Nicodemus in verse 3?
- Why would Jesus talk to Nicodemus in a way that seemed to intentionally confuse him? Explain.
- Jesus talks about “being born again” and a new birth in order to see the kingdom of God, so how do you know that this has happened in your life? Is there evidence that you can be convicted of?
- Are there any other Scripture evidences or encouragements to give you assurance that when you are born again you know for certain that you are saved?

Getting Out There

- Wayne Grudem defines regeneration as a secret act of God in which he imparts new spiritual life to us...also referred to as being “born again”. What do you think about the fact that regeneration is a total work of God and that there is nothing you can contribute to it?
- If regeneration is entirely a work of God and we can do nothing to make it happen, then what good does it do to preach the Gospel?
- How did God spiritually awaken you to be open to respond to the Gospel?

Pray

Thank God for working in your life to spiritually awaken you to a relationship with Him. Pray for those that do not know him that they may experience this same spiritual awakening.