

Bible Study Notes 14 March 2021

Believe and live – John 3:1-21

Introduction

1. Discuss ways in which people judge others
2. How do you feel when people judge you?

The judgement of the pharisees

Read John 3:1-2

3. Who is Nicodemus?
4. Why does he come to see Jesus at night?

The judgement on the Pharisees

Read John 3:3-11

5. What is Jesus' response to Nicodemus' question?
6. What does it mean to be born again according to these verses (Jn 3:3, 8)
7. Nicodemus is a teacher of Israel (v.10) yet he doesn't seem to understand what it means to be born again. Why is this and what is the challenge for us all Christians?

Judgement removed

Read John 3:12-15 and Numbers 21

8. Moses lifted up a bronze snake for what reason?
9. Jesus was lifted up for what reason?
10. How is judgement removed (John 3:16; Rom 5:8-10 might help 😊)

Self-imposed judgement

Read John 3:16-21

11. If you had to describe belief and unbelief to someone seeking to find Jesus how might these verses assist to explanation?

Reflect on the following questions

- Where do you stand?
- Do you stand in the light?
- Is your life exposed to the gospel of Jesus Christ?
- Are you being changed by his Holy Spirit within you?
- Or are you avoiding the issue.