

BORN AGAIN P3

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JOHN 3:1-15 P3
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2 TRUTHS & A LIE ABOUT SALVATION

LIE: You can get to _____ on your own v1-2

SALVATION IS NOT BASED ON:

1. Good works **John 3:1** Now there was a man of the Pharisees...
2. Good family ...named Nicodemus...
3. Good status ...a ruler...
4. Good citizenship ...of the Jews.

Truth: you need a _____ v3-10

1. Hear Jesus' declaration v3
 - A statement of complete certainty **John 3:3** Truly, truly...
 - A statement of divine authority ...I say...
 - A statement of personal responsibility ...to you...
 - A statement of individual necessity ...unless one...
 - A statement of absolute exclusivity ...is born again...
 - A statement of eternal destiny ...he cannot see the kingdom of God.
2. Understand Jesus' explanation v4-7
3. Consider Jesus' illustration v8
 - The Spirit is sovereign **John 3:8** The wind blows where it wishes...
 - The Spirit is powerful ...and you hear the sound of it...
 - The Spirit is mysterious ...but do not know where it comes from and where it is going.
4. Recognize your condition v9-10

Truth: You need a _____ v11-15

1. Man's _____ v10-12

- He _____ blind to spiritual truth

John 3:10 Are you the teacher of Israel and do not understand these things?

Ephesians 4:17-18 So this I say, and affirm together with the Lord, that you walk no longer just as the Gentiles also walk, in the futility of their mind, ¹⁸ being darkened in their understanding, excluded from the life of God because of the ignorance that is in them, because of the hardness of their heart.

2 Corinthians 4:3 And even if our gospel is veiled, it is veiled to those who are perishing, in whose case the god of this world has blinded the minds of the unbelieving so that they might not see the light of the gospel of the glory of Christ.

1 Corinthians 2:14 But a natural man does not accept the things of the Spirit of God, for they are foolishness to him; and he cannot understand them, because they are spiritually appraised.

Proverbs 4:19 The way of the wicked is like darkness; they do not know over what they stumble.

- He _____ eyewitness testimony

John 3:11 Truly, truly, I say to you, we speak of what we know and testify of what we have seen, and you do not accept our testimony.

Colossians 2:3-4 Christ Himself, in whom are hidden all the treasures of wisdom and knowledge.

Romans 11:34-35 For who has known the mind of the Lord, or who became His counselor? ³⁵ Or who has first given to Him that it might be paid back to him again?

John 1:11 He came to His own, and those who were His own did not receive Him.

John 3:32 What He has seen and heard, of that He testifies; and no one receives His testimony.

- He _____ to believe

John 3:12 If I told you earthly things and you do not believe, how will you believe if I tell you heavenly things?

John 5:38 You do not have His word abiding in you, for you do not believe Him whom He sent.

Mark 6:6 And He wondered at their unbelief.

John 3:19 This is the judgment, that the Light has come into the world, and men loved the darkness rather than the Light, for their deeds were evil.

2. God's _____ v13-14

- Jesus _____

John 3:13 No one has ascended into heaven, but He who descended from heaven: the Son of Man.

John 6:51 I am the living bread that came down out of heaven.

John 6:62 What then if you see the Son of Man ascending to where He was before?

John 17:5 Now, Father, glorify Me together with Yourself, with the glory which I had with You before the world was.

Philippians 2:6-7 although He existed in the form of God, did not regard equality with God a thing to be grasped,⁷ but emptied Himself, taking the form of a bond-servant, and being made in the likeness of men.

Daniel 7:13-14 I kept looking in the night visions, and behold, with the clouds of heaven One like a Son of Man was coming, and He came up to the Ancient of Days and was presented before Him.¹⁴ And to Him was given dominion, glory and a kingdom, that all the peoples, nations and men of every language might serve Him. His dominion is an everlasting dominion which will not pass away; and His kingdom is one which will not be destroyed.

- Jesus was _____

John 3:14 As Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, even so must the Son of Man be lifted up.

Numbers 21:1-9

WHY MUST HE BE LIFTED UP?

IT WAS GOD'S PREDETERMINED PLAN **Luke 18:31-33** Behold, we are going up to Jerusalem, and all things which are written through the prophets about the Son of Man will be accomplished.³² For He will be handed over to the Gentiles, and will be mocked and mistreated and spit upon,³³ and after they have scourged Him, they will kill Him; and the third day He will rise again.

IT IS GOD'S ONLY PROVISION **John 14:6** I am the way, and the truth, and the life; no one comes to the Father but through Me.

1 Timothy 2:5 For there is one God, and one mediator also between God and men, the man Christ Jesus.

IT ACCOMPLISHED GOD'S REDEMPTION **1 Peter 3:18** For Christ also died for sins once for all, the just for the unjust, so that He might bring us to God, having been put to death in the flesh, but made alive in the spirit.

IT DEMONSTRATES GOD'S LOVE **Romans 5:8** But God demonstrates His own love toward us, in that while we were yet sinners, Christ died for us.

IT MAGNIFIES GOD'S GLORY **Philippians 2:9-11** For this reason also, God highly exalted Him, and bestowed on Him the name which is above every name,¹⁰ so that at the name of Jesus every knee will bow, of those who are in heaven and on earth and under the earth,¹¹ and that every tongue will confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

3. Your _____ v15

John 6:40 For this is the will of My Father, that everyone who beholds the Son and believes in Him will have eternal life, and I Myself will raise him up on the last day.

John 6:47 Truly, truly, I say to you, he who believes has eternal life.

John 11:25 Jesus said to her, "I am the resurrection and the life; he who believes in Me will live even if he dies."

John 20:31 but these have been written so that you may believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God; and that believing you may have life in His name.

Acts 16:30-31 "Sirs, what must I do to be saved?"³¹ They said, "Believe in the Lord Jesus, and you will be saved."

Romans 10:9 that if you confess with your mouth Jesus as Lord, and believe in your heart that God raised Him from the dead, you will be saved.

John 3:36 He who believes in the Son has eternal life; but he who does not obey the Son will not see life, but the wrath of God abides on him.

NEXT WEEK: John 3:16



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