



DAY 1

Recreated in Christ

Jesus talks with Nicodemus (John 3: 1-7)

We are God's creation. He created us to belong to Christ Jesus. Now we can do good works. Long ago God prepared these works for us to do.

Ephesians 2:10 (NIRV)



Jesus was teaching and performing miraculous signs in Jerusalem. There was a member of the Jewish ruling council, called Nicodemus. He was a Pharisee, and a very religious man.

He studied the Scriptures, but still had questions.



The Pharisees were upset with Jesus' teaching, and were developing a hatred for Him. **Nicodemus visited Jesus at night**, perhaps because he was afraid to be seen with Jesus, or maybe because he wanted to have a private conversation with Him.



He said to Jesus, "Rabbi, you are a teacher from God. No one could perform such miraculous signs if God was not with him."

Jesus replied, "I tell you the truth, no one can see the kingdom of God unless he is born again."





Nicodemus was puzzled by this statement. He thought Jesus meant someone would have to enter his mother's womb a second time to be born. Jesus explained that to be born again was not a physical birth, but a **spiritual birth from above**. To be born again happens when you believe in Jesus as Lord and Savior, and the Holy Spirit enters your heart.

WHEN WE BELIEVE IN
JESUS, WE BECOME A
NEW PERSON.

Just as a caterpillar changes into a beautiful butterfly, when we have Jesus in our hearts, we too are miraculously changed. **With the power of the Holy Spirit, we think, act, and live differently.**



When anyone lives in Christ, the new creation has come. The old is gone!
The new is here!

2 Corinthians 5:17 (NIRV)





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