

“Christ hath redeemed us from the curse of the law, being made a curse for us: for it is written, Cursed is every one that hangeth on a tree.” (Galatians 3:13)

“For what the law could not do, in that it was weak through the flesh, God sending his own Son in the likeness of sinful flesh, and for sin, condemned sin in the flesh.” (Romans 8:3)

“That whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have eternal life. 16 For God so loved the world, that he gave his only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have everlasting life. 17 For God sent not his Son into the world to condemn the world; but that the world through him might be saved.” (John 3:15-17)

4. THE PROOF OF HIS _____

“He that believeth on him is not condemned: but he that believeth not is condemned already, because he hath not believed in the name of the only begotten Son of God. 19 And this is the condemnation, that light is come into the world, and men loved darkness rather than light, because their deeds are evil. 20 For every one that doeth evil hateth the light, neither cometh to the light, lest his deeds should be reproved. 21 But he that doeth the truth cometh to the light, that his deeds might be manifest, that they are wrought of God.” (John 3:18-21)

CONCLUSION

“...that whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have everlasting life.” (John 3:16b)

“And whosoever was not found written in the Lamb’s book of life was cast into a lake of fire.” (Revelation 20:15)



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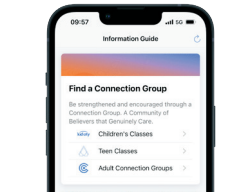
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January 22-25
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Forward Sunday

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IS GOD TRUSTWORTHY?

JOHN GOETSCH | JANUARY 22, 2023

Text: John 3:1-3

“There was a man of the Pharisees, named Nicodemus, a ruler of the Jews: 2 The same came to Jesus by night, and said unto him, Rabbi, we know that thou art a teacher come from God: for no man can do these miracles that thou doest, except God be with him. 3 Jesus answered and said unto him, Verily, verily, I say unto thee, Except a man be born again, he cannot see the kingdom of God.” (John 3:1-3)

INTRODUCTION

1. THE PROOF OF HIS _____

“Nicodemus saith unto him, How can a man be born when he is old? can he enter the second time into his mother’s womb, and be born? Jesus answered, Verily, verily, I say unto thee, Except a man be born of water and of the Spirit, he cannot enter the kingdom of God.” (John 3:4-5)

THROUGHOUT SCRIPTURE, WATER IS A RECOGNIZED SYMBOL OF GOD’S WORD.

“For as the rain cometh down, and the snow from heaven, and returneth not thither, but watereth the earth, and maketh it bring forth and bud, that it may give seed to the sower, and bread to the eater: So shall my word be that goeth out of my mouth: it shall not return unto me void, but it shall accomplish that which I please, and it shall prosper in the thing whereto I sent it.” (Isaiah 55:10-11)

IT IS THROUGH SCRIPTURE THAT GOD BRINGS US TO SALVATION.

“So then faith cometh by hearing and hearing by the word of God.” (Romans 10:17)

“Of his own will begat he us with the word of truth.” (James 1:18a)

“Being born again, not of corruptible seed, but of incorruptible, by the word of God, which liveth and abideth for ever.” (1 Peter 1:23)

GOD PROVES HIS TRUSTWORTHINESS THROUGH THE ETERNALITY OF HIS WORD.

“The grass withereth, the flower fadeth: but the word of our God shall stand for ever.” (Isaiah 40:8)

2. THE PROOF OF HIS _____

“That which is born of flesh is flesh; and that which is born of Spirit is spirit. 7 Marvel not that I said unto thee, Ye must be born again. 8 The wind bloweth where it listeth, and thou hearest the sound thereof, but canst not tell from whence it cometh, and whither it goeth; so is every one that is born of the Spirit.” (John 3:6-8)

THE BEST THE FLESH CAN PRODUCE IS STILL FLESH – ONLY THE SPIRIT CAN PRODUCE THE SPIRITUAL.

“It is the spirit that quickeneth; the flesh profiteth nothing: he words that I speak unto you, they are spirit, and they are life.” (John 6:63)

“In the beginning God created the heaven and the earth. 2 And the earth was without form, and void; and darkness was upon the face of the deep. And the Spirit of God moved upon the face of the waters. 3 And God said, Let there be light: and there was light.” (Genesis 1:1-3)

“For God, who commanded the light to shine out of darkness, hath shined in our hearts, to give the light of the knowledge of the glory of God in the face of Jesus Christ.” (2 Corinthians 4:6)

3. THE PROOF OF HIS _____

“Nicodemus answered and said unto him, How can these things be? Jesus answered and said unto him, Art thou a master in Israel, and knowest not these things? Verily, verily, I say unto thee, We speak that we do know, and testify that we have seen; and ye receive not our witness. If I have told you earthly things, and ye believe not, how shall ye believe, if I tell you of heavenly things? And no man hath ascended up to heaven, but he that came down from heaven, even the Son of man which is in heaven. And as Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, even so must the Son of man be lifted up.” (John 3:9-14)

THE SERPENT MOSES CRAFTED REPRESENTED THE CURSE OF SIN.

THE SUBSTANCE OF BRASS – THE HARDEST SUBSTANCE KNOWN – REPRESENTED THE ONLY ONE WHO COULD WITHSTAND THE CURSE.