

STARTING POINT QUESTIONS

1. WHO IS JESUS?

Jesus performed many other signs in the presence of his disciples, which are not recorded in this book. But these are written that you may believe that Jesus is the Messiah, the Son of God, and that by believing you may have life in his name. **John 20:30-31 (NIV)**

In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. He was with God in the beginning. Through him all things were made; without him nothing was made that has been made. **John 1:1-3 (NIV)**

- Jesus is LOGOS

The Word became flesh and made his dwelling among us. We have seen his glory, the glory of the one and only Son, who came from the Father, full of grace and truth. **John 1:14 (NIV)**

- Jesus is Life

In him was life, and that life was the light of all mankind. **John 1:4 (NIV)**

- Jesus is Light

The light shines in the darkness, and the darkness has not overcome it. **John 1:5 (NIV)**

2. HOW CAN I BE BORN AGAIN?

Now there was a Pharisee, a man named Nicodemus who was a member of the Jewish ruling council. He came to Jesus at night and said, “Rabbi, we know that you are a teacher who has come from God. For no one could perform the signs you are doing if God were not with him.” Jesus replied, “Very truly I tell you, no one can see the kingdom of God unless they are born again.” **John 3:1-3 (NIV)**

How can someone be born when they are old?” Nicodemus asked. “Surely they cannot enter a second time into their mother’s womb to be born!” Jesus answered, “Very truly I tell you, no one can enter the kingdom of God unless they are born of water and the Spirit. Flesh gives birth to flesh, but the Spirit gives birth to spirit.” **John 3:4-6 (NIV)**

I will sprinkle clean water on you, and you will be clean; I will cleanse you from all your impurities and from all your idols. I will give you a new heart and put a new spirit in you; I will remove from you your heart of stone and give you a heart of flesh. **Ezekiel 36:25-26 (NIV)**

- Admit my need for a fresh start

“How can this be?” Nicodemus asked. **John 3:9 (NIV)**

- Put my faith in Jesus

Just as Moses lifted up the snake in the wilderness, so the Son of Man must be lifted up, that everyone who believes may have eternal life in him.” For God so loved the world that he gave his one and only Son, that whoever believes in him shall not perish but have eternal life. For God did not send his Son into the world to condemn the world, but to save the world through him. Whoever believes in him is not condemned, but whoever does not believe stands condemned already because they have not believed in the name of God’s one and only Son. **John 3:14-18 (NIV)**

- Receive new life

THIS WEEK’S READING:

AUG 20: JOHN 4:27-42; 1 CHRON. 16:7-43; ZECH. 5

AUG 21: JOHN 4:43-54; 1 CHRON. 17; ZECH. 6

AUG 22: JOHN 5:1-18; 1 CHRON. 18-19; ZECH. 7

AUG 23: JOHN 5:19-47; 1 CHRON. 20:1-22:1; ZECH. 8

AUG 24: JOHN 6:1-21; 1 CHRON. 22:2-23:32; ZECH. 9

AUG 25: JOHN 6:22-59; 1 CHRON. 24; ZECH. 10

AUG 26: JOHN 6:60-71; 1 CHRON. 25-26; ZECH. 11

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