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The New You
John 3:1-8 / Romans 8

The Essentials:

1. You were made good and you are not alone. (Gen. 1)
2. You have a problem that you can't fix. (Gen. 3, Rom. 3)
3. The cross is the cure. (Num. 21, John 3)
4. Everyone needs a new you.

The New You:

I. _____ can't fix you.

John 3:1-3 *Now there was a man of the Pharisees, named Nicodemus, a ruler of the Jews; 2 this man came to Jesus by night and said to Him, "Rabbi, we know that You have come from God as a teacher; for no one can do these signs that You do unless God is with him." 3 Jesus answered and said to him, "Truly, truly, I say to you, unless one is born again he cannot see the kingdom of God."*

- Pharisee –
- Ruler of the Jews –
- Recognized Jesus as teacher from God –

II. _____ can't fix you.

John 3:4-6 *Nicodemus said to Him, "How can a man be born when he is old? He cannot enter a second time into his mother's womb and be born, can he?" 5 Jesus answered, "Truly, truly, I say to you, unless one is born of water and the Spirit he cannot enter into the kingdom of God. 6 That which is born of the flesh is flesh, and that which is born of the Spirit is spirit."*

- Life
- Spiritual life

II Cor. 5:17 *So if anyone is in Christ, there is a new creation.... (NSRV)*

- Baptism is the outward sign of this inward grace.

Rom. 6:3, 8-10 *Or do you not know that all of us who have been baptized into Christ Jesus have been baptized into His death? ... 8 Now if we have died with Christ, we believe that we shall also live with Him, 9 knowing that Christ, having been raised from the dead, is never to die again; death no longer is master over Him. 10 For the death that He died, He died to sin once for all; but the life that He lives, He lives to God.*

III. Only _____ can fix you.

John 3:7-8 *"Do not be amazed that I said to you, 'You must be born again.' 8 The wind blows where it wishes and you hear the sound of it, but do not know where it comes from and where it is going; so is everyone who is born of the Spirit."*

Point:

Doggy Bag: Something to take home and chew on!



1. How have I tried to fix my own life? How successful has this been?
2. How have I tried to fix my spiritual life? How successful has this been?
3. When have I ever asked for God's help in life?
4. Have I asked the Holy Spirit to give me a new life in Christ?
5. What part of my life needs to die? What part of my life needs to experience a new birth?

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