

Go Deeper Study Guide The Essence Of New Life John 3:1-21 January 29, 2023 | Pastor Bob DuPar

## **Getting Started**

What did you find most helpful from this week's sermon? Was anything confusing? Is there anything that needs clarification? Discuss as a group.

If you haven't heard the sermon yet, you can access it at: www.cbcventura.org; Twitch or YouTube (cbcventura)

### **Going Deeper**

Read John 3:1-21 as a <u>conversation</u>! Try reading two different translations for comparison. Write down any observations or insights.

Why did Nicodemus need to be reborn? What things are impossible apart from a new birth?

What's the meaning of *repentance*? How does this relate to new birth?

Besides the *wind* (vs. 8), what are some other <u>realities</u> in life that we <u>believe</u> even though we may not <u>see</u> them or fully <u>understand</u> them?

In verse 10 of our passage, Jesus <u>exposes</u> the <u>brokenness</u> and <u>in-</u><u>sufficiency</u> of Nic's belief system. Read Ezekiel 36:25-26. What truths should Nic have understood?

Talk about why it's essential for us to <u>recognize</u> and <u>acknow-ledge</u> our need in order to experience God's power and forgiveness. List biblical examples of this.

How does our passage show the superiority of Jesus to Moses?

Why is it essential to come to the Light/live in the Light (vss. 20-21)?

# **Application**

### Action step this week:

What is something you can do this week to practice what you've learned? How will you accomplish this? Who can hold you accountable, encourage you & pray for you?

## <u>Prayer</u>

How can your group pray for you?

