

Jesus Answers Nicodemus

John 3:1-15

[Jesus answered] “Flesh gives birth to flesh,
but the Spirit gives birth to spirit.”

JOHN 3:6 (NIV)

1. Who was Nicodemus?
 - a. An exceptional Pharisee
 - b. A follower of Jesus
 - c. A teacher and a learner
2. Jesus' response stirs up (more) questions
 - a. To see the kingdom of God requires a *new birth*
 - b. The new birth is of *the Spirit*, which moves like *the wind*
 - c. Jesus speaks of *earthly things* to point to *heavenly things*
3. Jesus gives Nicodemus a homework assignment
 - a. Just as Moses lifted up the snake in the wilderness...
 - b. so the Son of Man must be lifted up...
 - c. that everyone who believes may have eternal life in him.