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Scripture: John 3:1-21

Title: Building significant spiritual relationship

Introduction: Today, I bring you a story about a man who was looking for a significant spiritual relationship.



The Bible tells that it is not good for a person to be alone. This principle stands in contrast to the culture we live in right now. The current culture focuses on the power of ONE.

Principles to take into consideration:

I. Not good for a person to be alone.

“Unfriendly people care only about themselves; they lash out at common sense.” Prov. 18:1 NLT

“It is not good for the man to be alone. I will make a helper who is like him.” Genesis 2:18

In both the OT and the NT, Christianity was meant to be practiced with other believers.

II. A Spiritual person needs a spiritual relationship.

In verse 3 Jesus gets straight to the point with Nicodemus by telling him, “I assure you: Unless someone is born again, he cannot see the kingdom of God.”

Jesus answered, “Very truly, I tell you, no one can enter the kingdom of God without being born of water and Spirit. What is born of the flesh is flesh, and what is born of the Spirit is spirit. (Verse 5-6)

III. Salvation is a process.

Nicodemus may not have accepted Jesus that night. We have it wrong when we think that everyone is prepared to accept Jesus when we invite them to church. To tell you the truth, Jesus didn’t push Nicodemus to accept and follow him. Jesus knew that Nicodemus was not ready yet.

“After these things, Joseph of Arimathea, who was a disciple of Jesus, though a secret one because of his fear of the Jews, asked Pilate to let him take away the body of Jesus. Pilate gave him permission; so he came and removed his body. Nicodemus, who had at first come to Jesus by night, also came, bringing a mixture of myrrh and aloes, weighing about a hundred pounds. They took the body of Jesus and wrapped it with the spices in linen cloths, according to the burial custom of the Jews.” (John 19:38-40 NRSV)

Conclusion: Who needs spiritual relationship today?