

# GROUP DISCUSSION

Questions for facilitating dynamic discussion

## The Wonder of Christmas

**Week 3: He is the Light**

**John 1:10-13**

**Week of December 13, 2020**

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In the prologue of John, Jesus is called “The Life.” Those who receive Christ find His life bringing them new birth – a second birth into a wonderful new existence. This week we studied the doctrine of “Regeneration” and learned of eight benefits that come with being “born again.”

**Kicking it off:** Jeff shared that his family has the tradition of taking the kid’s picture on the stairs every Christmas morning. What Christmas morning tradition does your family have?

### Discussion:

1. Reread *John 1:10-11* He came into the very world he created, but the world didn’t recognize him. He came to his own people, and even they rejected him.

Why did people reject Jesus then? And why do some reject him still today?

2. Reread *John 1:13* They are reborn—not with a physical birth resulting from human passion or plan, but a birth that comes from God.

When we become a true Christian, we are born again. Do you know when your “rebirth” was? If so, tell the group.

3. Reread *1 John 3:9* No one who is born of God will continue to sin, because God’s seed remains in them; they cannot go on sinning, because they have been born of God.

How do we reconcile this verse with a Christian who falls in a devastating moral failure?

4. Reread *2 Corinthians 5:17* Anyone who belongs to Christ has become a new person. The old life is gone; a new life has begun!

Can you think of anyone who has lived a radically different life ever since they became “born again?” If so, tell the group about them.

5. Reread the follow two verses

*John 4:7* “Everyone who loves has been born of God.”

*Ezekiel 36:26* “I will remove from you your heart of stone and give you a heart of flesh.”

How do the two verses relate to each other? What do they mean for “born again” Christians?

6. The sermon offered 8 benefits of being born again. They are: New Relationship, New Start, New Innocence, New Affection, New Inclination, New Power, New Longevity, New Optimism

Which of these eight do you appreciate the most? Why?

**Wrapping It Up:** Ask the Lord to make the realities of our “rebirth” evident and delightful.