

WHAT DOES GOD WANT ME TO KNOW?

Share a story with the group about a time when you had to "shed your skin" in order to step into a new opportunity. What did you learn?

Recall the three steps to being born again from this weekend's message before reading the passages below:

- 1. Make space and time for God (God encounter)
- 2. Let go of the way you used to do things (disturbed and confused)
- 3. Move into the new place of increased capacity (when opportunity knocks, go!)

Read John 3:1-5. What steps to being born again can you identify in this passage? What risks might Nicodemus need to take in order to be born again?

Read John 7:40-52 and John 19:38-42. What conclusions can you draw about Nicodemus based on his actions in these passages?

WHAT IS MY INITIAL REACTION?

Reflect on your journey with Jesus to this point. How many "born again, again" moments have you had? What would your life be like if you hadn't taken the risk to let go and step out in these times?

When was the last time you felt disturbed and confused about something God was asking you to do?

What fears typically keep you from saying "yes" when opportunity knocks?

WHAT AM I GOING TO DO?

Read Acts 11: 1-18. What can you learn from Peter's example in this passage? How will you apply what you have learned in your life this week?

Which of the steps to being born again do you struggle with the most? Which step is the easiest for you to take? Why is that?

Who are you going to share your new knowledge with this week?

