

Jesus and Nicodemus
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Why do you think John was so intentional about describing Nicodemus as a pharisee in John 3:1?

Read Mark 12:28-32

When you hear the phrase "we don't need religion, we need a relationship," what do you think? How does this scripture frame the way we see others around us?

Read John 3:3-15

To love our neighbor well we cannot make them feel like an inconvenience. Why did Nicodemus feel the need to meet with Jesus at night? What are the circumstances that make it hard for you to stop and engage with someone?

To love our neighbor well we must exercise patience with their cluelessness. How patient are you with someone who is clueless? How do you relate to someone who has no idea about who Jesus is?

To love our neighbor well we must create clarity where there is confusion. What are some areas that we need to clear up confusion about Christianity? Can you do that in a clear and kind way?

To love our neighbor well we must find ways to relate to them. What are some ways that you can relate to people who think and believe differently than you? Is it difficult for you to move a conversation toward faith? How can you equip yourself to make that transition easier?

Adam said, "The most important 12 inches in <u>history</u> eternity is the distance from your head to your heart." Who is the person (or people) in your life that is the hardest to love? What is holding you back from loving them? What would it take for you to make the decision to respond like Jesus, despite your feelings?

[DISCUSSION QUESTIONS]