



9.8.24 • Craig Rees & Mike McKay • Grilled by Jesus: Nicodemus's Late-Night Truth Bombs

Key Verses

John 3:1-21
Matthew 21:25-27

Big Idea

Jesus isn't just the answer; He sparks the questions that lead us to the truth.

Discussion Questions

- 1). Why do you think Nicodemus chose to approach Jesus at night instead of during the day? What does this reveal about the religious culture of his time?
- 2). How does fear influence our willingness to ask tough questions, both in the church and in our personal faith journey?
- 3). What are some real-world issues today that you think the church is afraid to address openly? Why do these issues tend to cause discomfort? [remember to use the QR code to submit the questions]
- 4). In what ways have you seen the church prioritize safety and comfort over seeking truth? Can you think of specific examples where this has happened?
- 5). When it comes to a contentious issue, how does a Christian go about discerning the truth? What steps are involved in that for you?
- 6). Jesus didn't directly answer many of the questions He was asked. Why do you think He preferred to ask questions instead of giving answers? How can this approach deepen our faith?
- 7). Nicodemus represents someone who was part of the religious establishment but was willing to question the status quo. Do you think it's hard for leaders in the church today to ask hard questions? Why or why not?

8). Reflect on a time when asking a tough question in your own faith journey led you to a deeper understanding of God. What was that process like?

9). What do you think it means to “step out of the frying pan and into the fire” in terms of faith? How does this relate to Jesus pushing us beyond our comfort zones?

10). How can we, as a faith community, create a space where questions and doubts are welcomed rather than feared? What practical steps can we take to question with trust not skepticism?

11). We’re called to trust the process of asking tough questions. How does trusting God’s character help us navigate through our doubts and uncertainties?

Notes
