



A Worship Discussion Guide for Individuals, Groups & Families for the week of May 24, 2026

Read the Bible passage aloud in your group meeting. This is a worship discussion guide, and our reflections and applications are grounded in Scripture. You do not need to work through the whole guide. Decide which points would be most helpful for your meeting, and use them as a starting point for your time together.

John 3:1-10 New Birth: Part 1

¹ Now there was a man of the Pharisees named Nicodemus, a ruler of the Jews. ² This man came to Jesus by night and said to him, "Rabbi, we know that you are a teacher come from God, for no one can do these signs that you do unless God is with him." ³ Jesus answered him, "Truly, truly, I say to you, unless one is born again he cannot see the kingdom of God." ⁴ Nicodemus said to him, "How can a man be born when he is old? Can he enter a second time into his mother's womb and be born?" ⁵ Jesus answered, "Truly, truly, I say to you, unless one is born of water and the Spirit, he cannot enter the kingdom of God. ⁶ That which is born of the flesh is flesh, and that which is born of the Spirit is spirit. ⁷ Do not marvel that I said to you, 'You must be born again.' ⁸ The wind blows where it wishes, and you hear its sound, but you do not know where it comes from or where it goes. So it is with everyone who is born of the Spirit." ⁹ Nicodemus said to him, "How can these things be?" ¹⁰ Jesus answered him, "Are you the teacher of Israel and yet you do not understand these things?"

- Every service at WEPC begins with a *Call to Worship*, this week from [Psalm 104:1-3, 27, 30-33](#) to mark Pentecost Sunday. This Psalm lists many reasons to bless the LORD. **What are they? What reason do you have to bless the LORD** in this season of your life?
- In every worship service, we sing songs to God that help us better understand the sermon. This week, we sang Charles Wesley's hymn "Love Divine All Loves Excelling." [Sing the hymn](#) or [read the lyrics](#). This hymn describes the new birth that astonished Nicodemus. **Which aspects of the new birth described lead you to be grateful to our loving God? Why?**
- In our weekly communion liturgy, we confess our sins. This Sunday, we used an old Puritan prayer from The Valley of Vision, "[The Spirit's Work](#)". Read that prayer together. **Which role or ministry of the Holy Spirit do you most value at this point in your life? Why?**
- This week, Pastor Steve Shelby preached from [John 3:1-10](#). **After hearing this week's sermon, how would you define "new birth"? How, exactly, is someone "born again" (v.3)?**
- **Pray that hearts at WEPC will be made new.** Do you need to become a Christian? To be renewed as a follower of Jesus? To change, believe, or to repent? Hint: The answer is "Yes", and you can ask Jesus to meet with you right now!



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