

The Winds of Change: John 3:7-15

Review from last week. Summary of John 3:1-6

V7. Do not marvel that I said- You must be born again.

a. Marvel- to be amazed. To be halted in the mind because of perceived contradictions. **(Luke 24:10-11)**

b. "I said"- Scripture **(Luke 24:25-27)**

c. Born again. Born from above. **(Matthew 27:51)**

V8. The wind blows where it wishes, you hear the sound, but do not know where it comes from or where it is going; so is everyone who has been born of the Spirit.

a. Spirit- Wind analogy

b. Can be perceived sensually

c. Cannot perceive it's source or destiny

d. Salvation, Regeneration is the mysterious work of God.

e. The significance of parabolic/metaphorical teaching **(Matthew 10:13-16)**

V9. How can these things be?

a. Natural perception inhibits spiritual reception **(1 Corinthians 2:13-14)**

V10. Are you the teacher of Israel and do not understand these things?

a. Humility is necessary to know and see. From above

V11. Truly, Truly, We speak of what we know, bear witness of what we have seen, and you do not accept our witness.

a. We speak. We know **(Psalm 19:1-4)**

b. We bear witness of what we have seen. **(Psalm 19:7-13)**

c. You do not accept our witness - The sin of unbelief- Rejecting truth

V12. If I tell you earthly things and you do not believe, how will you believe if I tell you heavenly things? **(1 Corinthians 2:13-14)**

a. Birth, wind,

b. Jacob's ladder,

c. The serpent in the wilderness

V13. No one has ascended into Heaven but He who descended from Heaven.

a. Ascending and descending. **Genesis 28:12-14**

b. The Son of Man. **Daniel 7:13-14**

V14. As Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, even so must the Son of man be lifted up. **(Numbers 21:6-9)**

a. The lifting up of Christ brings salvation **(John 12:32)**

b. How is He lifted today?

V15 So that whoever believes will in Him have eternal life.

a. Whoever (All the believing one's)

b. Will- [not can] prescriptive but descriptive

c. In Christ.

Closing: Are you a whoever?