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John 3:1-21

Central Idea: To B.L.E.S.S. your neighbors, Jesus invites you to share your story.

Introduction: Storytelling is an art. Every great story has characters, a setting, a plot, a conflict, and a resolution. The character is who the story is about, and the setting is the place where it happens. The plot is the beginning, middle, and the end of the story. Can we really bless our neighbors and friends and change the world without words? You likely won't help anyone discover the love of God without using your words—and your story.

- **Jesus Shares His Story, John 3:1-21**

Conversation with Nicodemus, 3:1-15

- 1) First Question, vv. 1-3
- 2) Second Question, vv. 4-8
- 3) Third Question, vv. 9-15

- **Contrast Between Believers and Unbelievers, John 3:16-21**

- 1) Believers have eternal life; unbelievers do not, v. 16.
- 2) Believers are not condemned; unbelievers are condemned already, vv. 17-18.
- 3) Believers are in the light; unbelievers live in darkness, vv. 19-21.

- **Share Your Story with Yourself—Your Past, Present, and Future.**

Conclusion: You can simply tell your story in the following three parts:

- 1) Who you were before you met Jesus
- 2) How you met Jesus
- 3) And what your life has been like since you met Jesus.

Share your story in a clear, concise, and compelling way. Jesus shares the story of who He is, what He's about, and what Nicodemus can do if he wants to find God and experience eternal life.

Each one of us has a story to share!