Northwest Bible Church – June 24, 2012 – Worship Service – Alan Conner

**John 3:1-4**

Nicodemus and the New Birth

               Intro

**A. NICODEMUS’ VISIT AT NIGHT**

                    1) Status –

                          - Pharisee -

                          - Nicodemus, a Greek name.

                          - a ruler of the Jews –

                          - the teacher of Israel (John 3:10) -

                    2) Stealth –

                    3) Statement –

                         - Rabbi, you are a teacher from God.

                         - Your signs show God is with you.

**B. THE NECESSITY OF THE NEW BIRTH.**

1) “You cannot see the kingdom of God unless you are born again.”

                    2) A universal truth -

**C.  THE NATURE OF THE NEW BIRTH**

                    1) “born again” or “born from above”?

                    2) born again implies a new nature -

                    3) Being born again sets a new pattern for kingdom membership.

**D. NICODEMUS’ RESPONSE (John 3:4).**

                Conclusion