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### ☆Let's Talk

**ASK** *What do you see in the picture?*

**SAY** Nicodemus, an important leader of the Jews, went to visit Jesus at night to learn more about him. Jesus told him that no one can enter the kingdom of God unless he is born again. Jesus explained to Nicodemus that he was not talking about being born as a tiny baby. He was talking about something different.

**ASK** *What does it mean to be born again?*

**SAY** Jesus explained that God loves us and sent his Son, Jesus, to die on the cross for our sins. God calls us to turn away from our sin and trust the Savior. The Holy Spirit works in our hearts, giving us faith in Jesus for forgiveness of sins and the gift of new life. That is what it means to be born again.

**SAY** What good news for Nicodemus and for us! Jesus loves us, saves us, and calls us his children!

### ☆Let's Rhyme and Pretend

Let the children pretend to be Nicodemus visiting Jesus at night. As you say the rhyme, have them copy your actions.

**Nicodemus tiptoes through town at night,** (*tiptoe in place*)

**He visits Jesus—what a grand sight!** (*stand still, bow low to the ground*)

**Nicodemus listens to all he hears,** (*sit down, cup face in hands*)

**He's quite puzzled, but knows Jesus cares!** (*raise hands, palms up, shrug*)


**Jesus tells him, "You must be born again,"** (*cross hands over heart*)

**The Savior came to give new life to sinful men!** (*form cross with both arms*)

**Nicodemus is glad for what Jesus said,** (*nod head, wide grin*)

**Now it's time to go home and go to bed!** (*wave, turn around, tiptoe in place*)

### ☆Let's Sing and Pray

Sing the first verse of "How Great Is the Love of the Father."  **Preschool Vol. 2 CD**  
Then pray this prayer.

Dear Father, thank you for loving me. Thank you for saving me through your Son, Jesus. Thank you for making me your child. In Jesus' name, Amen.