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**“How are these things possible?”  
Nicodemus asked.**

# John 3:10

Jesus replied, “You are a respected Jewish teacher, and yet you don’t understand these things?”

# John 3:11

I assure you, we tell you what we know and have seen, and yet you won't believe our testimony.

# John 3:12

**But if you don't believe me when  
I tell you about earthly things,  
how can you possibly believe if  
I tell you about heavenly things?**



# John 3:13

No one has ever gone to heaven and returned. But the Son of Man has come down from heaven.

# John 3:14

**And as Moses lifted up the bronze snake on a pole in the wilderness, so the Son of Man must be lifted up,**

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so that everyone who believes  
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**“For this is how God loved the world: He gave his one and only Son, so that everyone who believes in him will not perish but have eternal life.**

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God sent his Son into the world not to judge the world, but to save the world through him.

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Now while he was in Jerusalem at the Passover Festival, many people saw the signs he was performing and believed in his name.



# John 2:24

**But Jesus would not entrust himself to them, for he knew all people.**

# John 2:25

He did not need any testimony about mankind, for he knew what was in each person.

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# Why at Night?

- **No one else would see him.**
- **He would avoid awkward questions or judgments from other leaders.**
- **He could present himself a certain way to Jesus without having to really change what he normally says, does, or thinks.**

**Is Jesus Christ your first  
love and your first  
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# The Cost

- **Loss of the religious leaders' respect.**
- **Loss of the general public's respect.**
- **Loss of his career as a Pharisee.**
- **Loss of long-term relationships and friendships.**
- **His leader would be an uneducated, homeless carpenter turned Rabbi.**



**What has it cost you to  
follow Jesus in your life?**

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- **Loss of career advancement.**
- **Loss of financial security.**
- **Loss of prestige.**
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