

2026-02-22 Summary

This powerful message challenges us to move beyond a superficial understanding of salvation and embrace the transformative journey of being born again. Drawing from Jesus's conversation with Nicodemus in John 3, we're reminded that salvation isn't a one-time transaction but a complete spiritual rebirth requiring conception, birth, and continual development. Just as no parent would celebrate a child's birth only to abandon their growth, God expects us to mature in our faith. The parable of the sower in Luke 8 reveals four responses to God's Word: some never take root, others believe temporarily but fall away during testing, some are choked by life's worries and pleasures and never mature, while others persevere and produce fruit. This isn't about earning salvation through works, but about demonstrating genuine faith through transformation. The sobering question we must ask ourselves is: where are we in our spiritual development? Are we still wearing spiritual diapers decades into our faith, or are we growing in love and devotion to Christ? True salvation produces visible fruit, not because we're trying to prove something, but because we're genuinely transformed by recognizing how much we've been forgiven.