Emmanuel Prayer Needs

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- Praise for good reports over the last few months:
- Ongoing mentorships growing out of the youth program.
- The house is near completion for Ntombi and her 5 grandchildren.
- The projects at the Care Point, the play field & the multipurpose building.

Prayer items:

- that the physical, educational & spiritual needs of the 250 children & youth would be met.
- for Alex, the Care Point Shepherd for wisdom, love, perseverance & encouragement working with children.
- volunteer cooks providing all they need cooking the meals and looking after the families.
- that current and future projects will meet the needs of the Care Point community.
- that God would lead people of His choosing to join the team scheduled to go this August.

Study Continued

8. Read John 3:14-15 and Numbers 21:4-9. Nicodemus was a man who knew the law inside out. So, Jesus used an illustration from the law. Explain the analogy that Jesus is making.

Has God used things that you are familiar with, to make Himself known to you?

- 9. Read John 3:16-18. Pastor Peter used four words to describe God's plan of salvation. What were they? Why are each of these so important?
- 10. Read John 7:45-52 and 19:38-40. Sources outside of the Bible say that Nicodemus lost his position as a Pharisee, was removed from the Sanhedrin, and was eventually banished from Jerusalem by hostile Jews. Other sources also say that it was Nicodemus and Gamaliel who buried the martyr Stephen (Acts 8:2) and were later themselves buried in the same grave. What can be the cost of following Jesus in our lives?







Nicodemus visits Jesus at night

John 3:1-21
You must be Born Again

What is your life tied to?	rock of Jesus as the foundation, what does that mean?
The only safe place is: (Matt 7:25)	Why is this so important when tough times come?
WHAT IS YOUR LIFE BUILT ON? (John 3:1-2) Nicodemus:	2. Read John 3:1-2. Why do you think Nicodemus came to see Jesus at night?
Pharisees: (Matthew 3:7, 23:1-3, 33)	How hard is it to be honest about our own shortcomings when there are others around? Explain.
Why Nicodemus came to Jesus at night:	3. Read John 3:3-4. Nicodemus acknowledged that Jesus had come from God. However, he couldn't comprehend what Jesus meant when He said, "no one can see the kingdom of God unless they are born again." Now read 1 Corinthians 2:14. This explains why unbelievers struggle to understand spiritual concepts. So how would you explain being born again to an unbeliever?
A NEW BEGINNING (John 3:3-6) Born again =	
Water & the Spirit:	
v.6 The result of spiritual rebirth:	 Read John 3:5-6. Explain the following parts of these verses: Born of water:
OVERCOMING DOUBTS (John 3:9-15) 1 Cor 2:14 tells us that spiritual things are understood only	Born of the spirit:
v.12-13 Tells us that we must put our trust in the one who	Why should Nicodemus "not be surprised" that Jesus said you must be born again. (Note: the word 'you' is plural).
v.14-15 The snake in the wilderness: Numbers 21:4-9	6. Read John 3:8. What is this verse signifying in a new believers life?
TODAY'S THE DAY! (John 3:16-18) (1 John 1:9):	7. Read John 3:9-13. Jesus explains to Nicodemus that we can only speak of things we know and have seen or experienced. Jesus, the Son of Man, is the only one who has been into heaven, therefore, He is the only one who can truly speak of the things of heaven. Why is this important in ultimately putting
(John 3:16):	our trust in Jesus?
(Romans 10:9):	

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(John 1:12):

1. Read Matthew 7:24-27. When you think of your life being built on the solid