

# Dependence confronts self sufficiency

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## SMALL GROUP NOTES

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### Outline

On Sunday we looked at part six of our Divine yet Dependent series, looking at how Jesus confronts our tendency towards self-sufficiency. In his dialogue with Nicodemus he shows him (and us) that dependency on God requires us to do 3 things:

1. RETHINK where our confidence is
2. RECOGNISE the moving of the Holy Spirit
3. RECEIVE the truth of who Jesus is

### Scriptures

John 3:1-15

### Questions for discussion

1. Nicodemus came to Jesus 'by night' (v2). 'How we approach Jesus reveals where our dependence is'. What do you think this means?
2. Nicodemus is an example of someone who is 'self-sufficient'. How does self-sufficiency show itself in your life?
3. 'The gospel promotes a 'can't do' attitude'. What do you understand by that and why is it good news?
4. 'Self-sufficiency is like rowing a boat without a sail when the wind is blowing'. How could we be more responsive the moving of the Holy Spirit in our lives?

### Tags

Self-sufficiency, limits, responding, trust, surrender