

The Blessing of Conflict John 3:1-17 Dr. Bill Wilks April 14, 2024

Conflict in life is inevitable. As much as we try to avoid it, conflict has a way of working itself into all our lives. When it comes, it often arrives unannounced, unexpected, and unwelcomed.

However, not all conflict is bad. Just as it takes friction to sharpen the blade of a saw, sometimes it takes conflict to refine us and redirect the course of our lives.

In our text, Nicodemus was a man in conflict, but God used the conflict to change the course of his life.

## Main Thought...

- → All conflict can be \_\_\_\_\_\_ when it is handled in the right way.
- 1. Conflict is good when it draws us to \_\_\_\_\_ (v. 1-2).

Ps. 7:1-2; 9:9-10; 46:1; 61:1-2

- 2. Conflict is good when it confronts us with \_\_\_\_\_ (v. 3-16).
  - It can confront us with truth about \_\_\_\_\_ (v. 3-8).
  - It can confront us with truth about \_\_\_\_\_ (v. 9-16).

Jn. 4:13-16; 5:6-7; Num. 21:8-9

3. Conflict is good when it leads us to \_\_\_\_\_ (v. 17).

Jn. 19:38-40; Jm. 1:2-4

## Final Thoughts...

➔ Has God \_\_\_\_\_\_ some conflict to come into your life?

➔ Will you \_\_\_\_\_ near to Jesus and put your faith in Him?

