\*\* (Note: All Bible Quotes Are Taken From The Original King James Version)

## **Subject: Nicodemus Had Good Common Sense:**

Flattery will get you nowhere. When Nicodemus came to Jesus by night, he introduced himself by trying to flatter Jesus. His words of flattery were very accurate and correct, but his spirit of flattery was not necessary. Jesus already knew what was in Nicodemus' heart before he arrived, and He was very much qualified and ready to respond to Nicodemus' problem. Nicodemus wanted to know what was required to get into the kingdom of heaven.

After observing Jesus' works, He was convinced that Jesus' works were of God. Nicodemus had considered that his first religious teaching that consisted of the Law of Moses was not sufficient, and not up to the standard of Jesus' ministry. Nicodemus could clearly see the inadequacies of the Law of Moses. He had come to the conclusion that it alone could not get him into the kingdom of heaven. Nicodemus had more common sense than most of the Pharisees of his day.

## Subject: God Will Help A Humble Mind:

To be saved a person must be wise enough to know that they are not saved. Most folk today will consider that a limited amount of religious knowledge is enough for salvation. A limited amount of religious knowledge can be like an immunity shot. It can be just enough to make you reject the true knowledge of salvation.

Nicodemus made it known to Jesus that he came to inquire about salvation when he asked, "How can a man be born when he is old"? A conceited mind will cause a person to be repulsive to the truth. It takes a humble mind to accept the fact that you have insufficient knowledge of what is required to be saved. God will help a humble mind, but He will confound a conceited mind.

## **Subject: The Mysterious New-Birth:**

"The wind bloweth where it listeth, and thou hearest the sound thereof, but canst not tell whence it cometh, and whither it goeth: so is every one that is born of the Spirit" (St. John 3:8). If you are born again, you have experienced a miraculous and mysterious work of God. Nobody can tell where the new-birth comes from; they can only bear witness after that they have experienced it. The new-birth does not come from the earth, but it comes from heaven. It comes just as mysterious as the wind blows. Nobody can forecast its origin, nor the direction by which it will move. Its target is a potential child of God. Its purpose is to make a potential child of God a new creature.

There is not a power nor source of energy in the universe that can prevent the Holy Spirit from finding a child of God to give the person the new-birth. When this event happens to a child of God on the earth, all the angels in heaven will rejoice. Though such an event may not mean much to the people of the earth, it is a spectacular event in heaven. It means that another citizen of the earth has been adopted into the family of heaven.

## Subject: You Can Only Learn The Truth About God By Means Of The Holy Ghost:

You cannot learn about God in institutions that teach courses about religion. Only the Holy Ghost can give the correct knowledge of God. Listen to St. John 14:25-26:

Verse 25 -	These things have I spoken unto you, being yet
	present with you.

Verse 26 - But the Comforter, which is the Holy Ghost, whom the Father will send in my name, he shall teach you all things, and bring all things to your remembrance, whatsoever I have said unto you.

God commissioned the Holy Ghost to be sent to the earth to teach us the correct knowledge of God, because there was no other means on earth by which we could learn the correct knowledge of God.

There are many false religious teachings about God, but the Holy Ghost is reliable, and teaches the truth because it is the Spirit of truth. The Holy Ghost only teaches the gospel that God sent to the earth by Jesus Christ. It doesn't teach anything about itself. The Holy Ghost is a form of communication between man and God that is more reliable than any means of communication in the world. The Holy Ghost gives you the unadulterated word of God. It doesn't mix the knowledge of God with opinions of men. The word of God is the truth. When we believe the word of God, the Holy Spirit causes us to receive power to live according to the teachings of the word of God. When Jesus went to the cross to die, the word of God could not die. Jesus' body died, but the word and the Spirit retained life in Jesus' soul and resurrected His soul into a new body. When you believe the word of God, whatever the word says, it will do. The word will then abide with you forever.