## THE BOOK OF BEAUTIFUL WORDS

Today we take a look at the Bible's most famous verse and probe its depth. This verse is a good verse to focus on while preparing to take the Lord's Supper. Though most everyone knows this verse, John 3:16 is much more than just a slogan;

It is a summary statement of God's love through Jesus Christ. This single verse of scripture gives us the salient truths of God's plan of salvation in abridged form. Let's consider God's great plan for us as we unpack it phrase by

phrase

"For God so loved the world, that He gave His only begotten Son, that whoever believes in Him shall not perish, but have eternal life.

## The Origin "For God"

God-initiated

I John 4:19

We love Him because He first loved us We <u>respond</u> to Him

We are dead in trespasses and sins, dead people are helpless

### The Motivation "So loved"

It's God's <u>nature</u>, God is love Easy to say, difficult to <u>grasp</u> human love is object oriented God's love Subject oriented, based on His character

#### **The Destination**

For God So Loved the World

Some people don't experience it

# **The Demonstration** He Gave His Only Begotten Son Some people don't experience it Love isn't passive Love is <u>active</u>

The Qualification "believes in Him" Pisteuo - believe - rely on, trust in The Ramification

"should not perish but have everlasting life" Jesus died so we can have eternal life Those who don't believe will <u>perish</u>

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