

God's Love for us

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Introduction

1. John 3:16
2. We all know this verse. We often see this verse mentioned many places. (Football games)
3. Do you know that this verse has much controversy about it?!
4. Let us notice 5 points about this passage this morning.

II Discussion

1. God's love
 - a. Sin has rendered man guilty. Romans 3:9, 23
 - b. Sin has separated man from God. Isaiah 59:1-2
 - c. Sin has been paid for by Christ. Romans 6:23; 1 Peter 1:18-19; 1 Corinthians 6:19-20; 1 John 2:2; Titus 2:14
2. The degree of God's love is stated.
 - a. "So" loved Romans 5:6-9; 1 John 3:16; 4:10; Ephesians 2:4
 - b. Illustrated by Abraham and Isaac. Genesis 22; Hebrews 11:17-19
 - c. God gave the best for mankind. 2 Corinthians 5:15
3. The object of His love, the world.
 - a. Not just the Jews or the rich or the prettiest or the educated.
 - b. It is for whosoever. Revelation 22:17; Acts 10:43; Titus 2:11-12; 1 Timothy 1:15; 2:4
 - c. This is all of mankind!
4. The accomplishment of His love – "salvation"
 - a. "Should not perish" and "have everlasting life"
 - b. Without Christ all would perish! Acts 4:12; 28:28 Hebrews 5:8-9
 - c. Romans 1:16; 10:10 more is need than just believing!
5. Man's responsibility we must believe "In Him."
 - a. This is not a detailed account of what degree of faith a man must have to be saved.
 - b. This verse speaks of complete trust, or reliance; hence, it implies a faith in His word and an obedience to His commandments. Vs 21; Hebrews 5:8-9
 - c. Man has the responsibility to know, love and do what God said to do. Matthew 22:37-40; Hebrews 5:8-9; 2 Thessalonians 1:7-9; John 14:15; 1 John 2:4-5

III Conclusion

1. John 3:16
2. Will you not respond to the love of God, the giving of His Only Begotten Son for us?
3. By completely obeying His commands to not only believe, but to repent confess and to be baptized?
4. Done that but you have shunned God's love, then come back!

Sources: Show us the Father Exposition of the Expositor; The sovereignty of God; A.T. Robertson word studies; Preach for a years #4