



“TO BELIEVE OR NOT TO BELIEVE: THAT IS THE QUESTION”

JOHN 3:16 BIBLE STUDY SLIDES

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JOHN 3:16
“THE GOSPEL
IN A NUTSHELL”



For, in this way, God loved the world: that He gave the one-of-a-kind Son, so that everyone who [continually] believes in Him shall not perish but have eternal life.
(Jn 3:16, AT I)





JOHN 3:16
GOD SO LOVED THE WORLD
(IN THIS WAY)





JOHN 3:16
BY SHOWING TRUE
(SACRIFICIAL) LOVE



No one has greater love than this:
that one **lay down one's life** for
one's friends. (Jn 15:13, AT)





JOHN 3:16
SHOWING TRUE
(SACRIFICIAL) LOVE



This is how we know what **love** is: Jesus Christ **laid down his life** for us. And we ought to **lay down our lives** for our brothers and sisters. (1 Jn 3:16, NIV)





JOHN 3:16
SHOWING TRUE
(SACRIFICIAL) LOVE



17 If anyone has material possessions and sees a brother or sister in need but has no pity on them, **how can the love of God be in that person?** 18 Dear children, let us not love with **words or speech** but with **actions and in truth.** (1 Jn 3:17-18, NIV)





JOHN 3:16
BY GIVING HIS SON
(TO BE LIFTED UP AS A SACRIFICE)



14 Just as Moses lifted up the snake in the wilderness, so [in this way] the Son of Man must be lifted up, 15 that everyone who believes may have eternal life in him.” (Jn 3:14-15, NIV)





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BY GIVING HIS SON
(TO BE LIFTED UP AS A SACRIFICE)



4 They traveled from Mount Hor along the route to the Red Sea, to go around Edom. But the people grew impatient on the way; 5 **they spoke against God and against Moses**, and said, “Why have you brought us up out of Egypt to die in the wilderness? There is no bread! There is no water! And we detest this miserable food!”
(Num 21:4-5, NIV)





JOHN 3:16
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6 Then the LORD [YHWH] sent venomous snakes among them; they bit the people and many Israelites died. 7 The people came to Moses and said, “We sinned when we spoke against the LORD [YHWH] and against you. Pray that the LORD [YHWH] will take the snakes away from us.” So Moses prayed for the people. (Num 4:6-7, NIV)





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8 The LORD [YHWH] said to Moses, “Make a **snake** and put it up on a pole; anyone who is bitten can **look at it and live.**” 9 So Moses made a bronze snake and put it up on a pole. Then when anyone was bitten by a snake and **looked** at the bronze snake, they **lived.** (Num 21:8-9, NIV)





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32 And I, when I am **lifted up** from the earth, will draw all people to myself.”

33 He said this to show the kind of **death** he was going to die. (Jn 12:32-33, NIV)





JOHN 3:16
BY GIVING HIS SON
(TO BE LIFTED UP AS A SACRIFICE)



For my Father's will is that everyone who **looks** to the Son **and believes in him** shall have **eternal life**, and I will raise them up at the last day." (Jn 6:40, NIV)





JOHN 3:16
BY GIVING HIS SON
(TO BE LIFTED UP AS A SACRIFICE)



He is the **atoning sacrifice** for our sins, and **not only for ours** but also for the sins of the **whole world**.

(1 Jn 2:2, NIV)





JOHN 3:16
BY GIVING HIS
ONE-OF-A-KIND SON



For God so loved the world, that he gave his **only begotten** [μονογενής | *monogenēs*] Son, that whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have everlasting life.
(Jn 3:16, KJV; cf. NASB)





JOHN 3:16
BY GIVING HIS
ONE-OF-A-KIND SON



For God so loved the world that he gave his **one and only** [μονογενής | *monogenēs*] Son, that whoever believes in him shall not perish but have eternal life. (Jn 3:16, NIV; cf. NRSV, ESV, HCSB)





JOHN 3:16
BY GIVING HIS
ONE-OF-A-KIND SON



By **faith** Abraham, when God tested him, offered Isaac as a sacrifice. He who had embraced the promises was about to sacrifice his **one and only son** [μονογενής | *monogenēs*], (Heb 11:17, NIV)





JOHN 3:16
BY GIVING HIS
ONE-OF-A-KIND SON



9 This is **how** God **showed his love** among us: He sent his **one and only** [μονογενής | *monogenēs*] **Son** into the **world** that we might **live** through him.

10 This is love: not that we loved God, but that he loved us and sent his Son as an atoning **sacrifice for our sins.** (1 Jn 4:9-10, NIV)





JOHN 3:16
SO THAT EVERYONE WHO IS
FAITHFUL TO HIM (CONTINUALLY)...



For, in this way, God loved the world: that He gave the one-of-a-kind [μονογενής | *monogenēs*] Son, so that everyone who is [**continually**] **faithful** [πιστεύω | *pisteuō*] to Him shall not perish but have eternal life. (Jn 3:16, AT II)





JOHN 3:16
SO THAT EVERYONE WHO IS
FAITHFUL TO HIM (CONTINUALLY)...



13 Those on the rocky ground are the ones who receive the word with joy when they hear it, **but they have no root**. They **believe** [$\pi\iota\sigma\tau\epsilon\acute{\upsilon}\omega$ | *pisteuō*] **for a while**, but in the time of testing **they fall away**. 14 The seed that fell among thorns stands for those who hear, but as they go on their way they are choked by life's worries, riches and pleasures, and they do not mature. 15 But the seed on good soil stands for those with a noble and good heart, who hear the word, retain it, and by **persevering** produce a crop. (Lk 8:13-15, NIV)





JOHN 3:16
SO THAT EVERYONE WHO IS
FAITHFUL TO HIM (CONTINUALLY)...



31 Then Jesus said to the Jews who had **believed** [πιστεύω | *pisteuō*] him, "If you **remain** in my word, **truly** you are my disciples. 32 Then you will know the truth, and the truth will set you free. (Jn 8:31-32, AT)





JOHN 3:16
SO THAT EVERYONE WHO IS
FAITHFUL TO HIM (CONTINUALLY)...



You will be hated by everyone
because of me, but **the one who
stands firm to the end will be
saved.** (Mt 10:22, NIV)





JOHN 3:16
...SHALL NOT PERISH
(ETERNAL, SPIRITUAL DEATH)



17 For God did not send his Son into the world to condemn the world, but to save the world through him.
18 Whoever **believes** [πιστεύω | *pisteuō*] **in** him is not condemned, but whoever **does not believe** [πιστεύω | *pisteuō*] **stands condemned already** because they have not **believed** [πιστεύω | *pisteuō*] **in** the name of God's one and only Son. (Jn 3:17-18, NIV)



JOHN 3:16
...SHALL NOT PERISH
(ETERNAL, SPIRITUAL DEATH)



Whoever **believes** [$\pi\iota\sigma\tau\epsilon\acute{\upsilon}\omega$ | *pisteuō*] **in**
the Son has **eternal life**, but whoever
rejects the Son will **not see life**, for
God's wrath remains on them.
(Jn 3:36, NIV)





JOHN 3:16
...SHALL NOT PERISH
(ETERNAL, SPIRITUAL DEATH)



18 When I say to a wicked person, ‘You will surely die,’ and you **do not warn them or speak out to dissuade them** from their evil ways **in order to save their life**, that wicked person will die for their sin, and **I will hold you accountable** for their blood.

19 But if you do warn the wicked person and they do not turn from their wickedness or from their evil ways, they will die for their sin; but you will have saved yourself. (Eze 3:18-19, NIV)





JOHN 3:16
BUT HAVE ETERNAL LIFE
WITH THE LORD (RIGHT NOW!)



“Very truly I tell you, whoever hears my word and **believes** [πιστεύω | *pisteuō*] him who sent me **has eternal life** and will not be judged but has **crossed over from death to life**. (Jn 5:24, NIV)

