

Light and Life: Jesus in the Gospel of John

Today's message: **How Much God Loves**

John 3:16-21 (ESV)

¹⁶“**For God so loved** the world, that he gave his only Son, that whoever believes in him should not perish but have eternal life. ¹⁷For God did not send his Son into the world to condemn the world, but in order that the world might be saved through him. ¹⁸Whoever believes in him is not condemned, but whoever does not believe is condemned already, because he has not believed in the name of the only Son of God. ¹⁹And this is the judgment: the light has come into the world, and people loved the darkness rather than the light because their works were evil. ²⁰For everyone who does wicked things hates the light and does not come to the light, lest his works should be exposed. ²¹But whoever does what is true comes to the light, so that it may be clearly seen that his works have been carried out in God.”

God's love is ...

_____ in scope

_____ in worth

_____ to save

My depravity is ...

A better definition of sin:

(Rom. 1:23, 3:23, 7:17-18, 8:5-9, 14:23, 1 Cor. 10:31, Heb. 11:6, James 2:10-11)

My _____ against God is total.

In my rebellion, everything I do is _____.

My inability to _____ to God and do _____ is total.

My rebellion is totally deserving of _____.

John 3:18b (ESV)

... whoever does not believe is **condemned already**, because he has not believed in the name of the only Son of God.

The effects of my **depravity**

John 3:19-20 (ESV)

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What I _____

What I _____

What I _____

What I _____

But God ...

Ephesians 2:4-5 (ESV)

⁴ But God, being rich in mercy, because of the great love with which he loved us,
⁵ even when we were dead in our trespasses, made us alive together with Christ – by grace you have been saved ...

God is a far greater _____ than I am a _____!

God's love makes much of _____!

Salvation as "coming to the light"

John 3:21 (ESV)

²¹ But whoever does what is true **comes to the light**, so that it may be clearly seen that his works have been carried out in God.

What is reliable evidence of true salvation?

My **response?**

John 3:18a (ESV)

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