

# God Loves You

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*“For God so loved the world that he gave his one and only Son, that whoever believes in him shall not perish but have eternal life”* (John 3:16). This Bible verse is well known by many people. It says that God really, really, really loves you. God loves you very much that He gave His only Son to die for you.

Maybe nobody else cares about you – but God loves you very much. He has not forgotten you. You are important to God because He created you. God truly loves you and has a wonderful plan for your life. If you turn back to Him, He will bless you! He will save you by cleansing you from all your sins and failures.

## Key Concepts

There are four key concepts in John 3:16. They are: *so loved ... whoever believes ...not perish ...and eternal life*. These concepts can change your life dramatically. **First**, it would have been enough for God just to love us. But the verse says, **“God so loved.”** That is, He loves you *so much* as to send His son to die for you!

**Second**, **“whoever believes”** means anybody. If you choose to believe – whoever you are doesn’t make any difference. Your background, or status, or intelligence level or race does not matter. **“Whoever believes”** opens the door to all who choose to believe.

**Third**, the word **“perish”** refers to the decaying process of things. Flowers are beautiful but after a few days, they perish. People are like flowers – after a while they begin to perish. If you do not believe in the original plan of God for your life, you too will perish. Sin will destroy you.

The **fourth** concept is **“eternal life.”** In the Greek, this phrase means a never-ending life that goes on and on from centuries to centuries. If you believe, God wants to give you this kind of eternal life. It’s zoe life.

## Decision Time

Today, you have an opportunity to make a decision. Your decision will affect your eternal destiny. God loves you very much. If you believe in His Son, Jesus Christ, you will not perish. *He died for you on the Cross, was buried and rose again, defeating death and sin.* The choice to believe is yours. Your believing opens the door to this eternal life.

To have this life, do two important things. **First**, believe in the love of God for you, regardless of your background. Choose to believe that you are not on this earth by accident. God created you for a purpose. God gave Jesus for you to save your life. All the successful people in the Bible believed this truth – that God created them and loved them and gave His Son to redeem them.

Jeremiah was told, *“Before I formed you in the womb I knew you; before you were born I set you apart”* (Jeremiah 1:4, 5). Do you see what that means? Before his mother and father knew about Jeremiah, God knew him and formed him and set him apart for a special purpose. That’s awesome! God does not show partiality. If He did that for Jeremiah, He has done it for you and me. So believe it – you are loved and you have a special purpose from God for your life. It’s good news.

**Second**, ask God to reveal Himself to you. True belief causes you to seek God and to know Him. God says to you: *“Here I am! I stand at your door and knock. If anyone hears My voice and opens the door, I will come in and eat with him, and he with Me”* (Revelation 3:20).

## A Simple Prayer

You can talk to God as simply as you talk to people. ***“Lord, help me. I believe You died for me. You rose from death. I confess You, Jesus Christ as my Lord & my Savior. John 3:16 is for me today. I receive Your plans for my life now. In Jesus’ Name, Amen.”***

*Did you accept Jesus as your Savior? Let us know so we can rejoice with you!*

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