

For God So Loved the World
John 3:16

John 3:16 has rightly been called the greatest verse in the Bible. Luther said it was, *“the Bible in miniature.”* It simply reveals to us how the greatness of the love of God meets the greatness of man’s need. John Flavel said that John 3:16, shows us, *“the exceeding preciousness of souls...”* Through John 3:16 we learn how we might be *“rooted and grounded in love,”* knowing more deeply what is *“the width and length and depth and height...”* of *“the love of Christ which passes knowledge; that you may be filled with all the fullness of God”* (Eph. 3:17-19).

1. The motive of God – love

“For”

“So”

“Loved”

“The world”

2. The gift of god – God’s only Son

3. The call of God – Whoever believes

4. The promise of God – Eternal life

Words for kids to listen for

For

Nicodemus

So

Loved

The world

Only Son

Whoever believes

Eternal life