

Reflection Questions December 10, 2023 The Gift of Salvation John 3:16

Week 2 of our 4-week Advent series, "The Gifts of Christmas." This week we survey, 'The Gift of Salvation,' by looking at the Bible's most famous verse, John 3:16. What can this verse teach us about our greatest need, and God's greatest provision?

Reflection Questions:

- 1. How does understanding the context of John 3:16, particularly the conversation between Jesus and Nicodemus, deepen your appreciation for the gift of salvation?
- 2. Reflect on the nature of God's love as described in John 3:16. How does this love differ from our human understanding of love?
- 3. In what ways does God's sacrificial giving in sending His Son challenge our own understanding of love and generosity?
- 4. Discuss the significance of Jesus being referred to as God's "only Son" in relation to the gift of salvation.
- 5. How does recognizing that salvation is a gift from God impact your perspective on your own efforts or works for attaining eternal life?
- 6. Reflect on the phrase "whoever believes in Him should not perish but have eternal life." What does it mean to truly believe in Jesus? How does this belief affect our lives and choices?
- 7. Discuss why it is important for believers to daily meditate on and acknowledge the gravity and significance of their salvation.
- 8. In light of John 3:16, how should we respond to such an incredible gift? What actions or attitudes should characterize our lives as recipients of this great love?