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JOHN 3:16

(Numbers 21:4-9 and John 3:14-18)

1. "GOD" - THE GREATEST LOVER

(1 John 4:8) "for God is love" - God embodies love; it's His essence.

(1 John 3:1) "Behold what manner of love the Father has bestowed on us ... "

2. "SO LOVED" - THE GREATEST DEGREE OR MEASUREMENT

"So" - God's love is the best, the tops, matchless, beyond casual.

Hymn #133 The Love of God v3

3. "THE WORLD" - THE GREATEST COMPANY

Human love is often limited, but God's love is unlimited.

(Mark 16:15) "He said to them, Go into all the world and preach the gospel ... "

4. "THAT HE GAVE" - THE GREATEST ACT

God did more than just give a shout-out: "I love you guys."

God's love is demonstrated, active, proved, and is undeniable. (Romans 5:6-9)

5. "GAVE HIS ONLY BEGOTTEN SON" - THE GREATEST GIFT

(2 Cor. 9:15) "Thanks be to God for His indescribable gift"

The "world" should be giving thanks, and it is tragic that so many do not.

6. "THAT WHOEVER" - THE GREATEST OPPORTUNITY

It's an open invitation to everyone, and yet it is personal, one and all.

It reveals the impartiality of God's love: (2 Peter 3:9) "all should come"

(Titus 2:11) "to all men" (Mark 16:15-16) "into all the world"

(Matthew 11:28-30) "come unto Me all ye ... "

7. "BELIEVES" - THE GREATEST CONDITION AND CHOICE

Jesus' words take us back to the O.T. story in (Numbers 21:4-9), and God had Moses put a bronze serpent on a pole, and those bitten had to believe that looking at it would spare them.

(v8) "when he looks at it, shall live."

8. "IN HIM" - THE GREATEST ATTRACTION

(John 6:66-69)

9. "SHOULD NOT PERISH" - THE GREATEST PROMISE

10. "BUT HAVE" - THE GREATEST CERTAINTY

"Have" - receive, possess, obtain, hold onto.

11. "EVERLASTING LIFE" - THE GREATEST POSSESSION

(1 John 2:25)