



Sermon Growth Guide

March 31, 2024 | Happy Easter!

All for Love - God So Loved

John 3:16-21

Key Verse: John 3:16

“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.”

Big Idea: God SO loves you!

Foundations

“My prayer for you,” preaches Tim, “is that you not only think about God’s love, hear things about God’s love—my prayer for you is that you feel God’s love today. Will you try? Try to allow it.”

God loves you, so. So big. Big love. Paul writes “But God demonstrates his own love for us in this: While we were still sinners, Christ died for us.”

God creates us in His love and places a mantle of freewill on our shoulders, enabling us to respond, or not respond, to His lavish love for us.

Each week we have been raising a question Gen Z asks. Our question this week is, “What is my worth?” Great question. This is a shared question across the generations. Consider this:

“He himself bore our sins,” Peter writes, “in his body on the cross, so that we might die to sins and live for righteousness.”

We each of us are worth everything to God. So much so, that He came and suffered and died for us. Friend, you are so loved by the Father, so loved. Open your time together in prayer, giving thanks to God that He loves us, He loves YOU. Amen.

Understanding God’s Word

Together, read John 3:16-21.

According to verse 17, why did God send His son?

In verse 19, does humanity prefer light or dark? Why?

Spend time discussing this passage at length. What do we learn about the heart of God throughout John 3:16-21?

Applying God’s Word

God SO loves you!

What steps can you take to even more so receive this love?

What life rhythm might you commit to that will help you to better respond to this eternally joyous reality?

Witnessing God’s Word

God’s love is meant to be shared. Dwelling in the love of God, how can you then move out and share God’s great love with those around you? Name one person with whom you want to share God’s love. Pray for this person and discern one step you can take in loving them with God’s love this week.