

P.M. SERMON NOTES

8/16/2026

(John 3:16)

(John 3:14-18)

INTRODUCTION - note also (1 John 4:9-10)

1. "GOD" - the greatest Lover

(1 John 4:8) "for God is love" and note (1 John 3:1)

2. "SO LOVED" - the greatest degree or measurement

"So" - God's love is the best, matchless, none greater or better.
Note words to hymn #382 and #133 v3

3. "THE WORLD" - the greatest company

God's love was and is extended to all who have lived, live now, and will live.
(Romans 5:8-11) "God demonstrates His own love toward us ..."

4. "THAT HE GAVE" - it's the greatest action

"He gave" - love in action, love that is proved; undeniable love.
No one can truthfully say, "God does not love me."

5. GAVE HIS ONLY BEGOTTEN SON" - the greatest gift

(2 Corinthians 9:15) "Thanks to God for His indescribable gift"
Our world of people should be giving "thanks" to God.

6. "THAT WHOEVER" - the greatest opportunity

It's an open invitation to everyone; and yet it's personal; one and all.
(2 Peter 3:9; Titus 2:11; Mark 16:15-16; Matthew 11:28-30)

7. "BELIEVES" - the greatest condition

Believing is fundamental to avoid perishing; however, it's not "only" or "alone."
Jesus, in this text, takes us back to the story in (Numbers 21:3-10).

It wasn't enough to just believe a fiery serpent on a pole would save them.
(v8) "... when he looked at the bronze serpent, he lived."

8. "BELIEVES IN HIM" - the greatest attraction

(John 6:66-69) (v68) "... You have the words of eternal life ..."

9. "SHOULD NOT PERISH" - the greatest promise"

10. "BUT HAVE" - the greatest certainty

11. "EVERLASTING LIFE" - the greatest possession

(Titus 1:2; 1 John 2:25)

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1. Surpassing love - "so"
2. Surprising object - "the world"
3. Sacrificial cost - "gave His only begotten Son"
4. Serious offer - "whosoever"
5. Selective choice - "believes in Him"
6. Special promise - "should not perish"
7. Satisfying fulfillment - "but have everlasting life"

GOSPEL

God so loved the world that He gave His
Only begotten Son, that whoever believes in Him
Should not
Perish, but have
Everlasting
Life

1. The object - "For God loved the world"
2. The price - "that He gave His only begotten Son"
3. The offer - "that whoever"
4. The choice - "that whoever believes in Him"
5. The promise - "should not perish"
6. The fulfillment - "but have everlasting life"