

# The Greatest

**Scripture:** *“For God so loved the world, that he gave His only begotten Son, that whomever would believe in Him, would not perish, but have everlasting life.”*

**John 3:16**

As one of the most quoted verses of all time, John 3:16 is still one of my favorites. It reminds me just how much God really did love me. Even though I didn't know Him, He already knew me. However, there is more meat in this verse than meets the eyes. It helps if one breaks it down into smaller units. I have given an example below.

**God-** *The Greatest Lover*

**So loved-** *The Greatest Degree*

**The world-** *The Greatest Company (friends, family, church, etc.)*

**He gave-** *The Greatest Act*

**His only Son-** *The Greatest Gift*

**That whosoever-** *The Greatest Opportunity*

**Believeth-** *The Greatest Simplicity*

**In Him-** *The Greatest Attraction*

**Should not perish-** *The Greatest Promise*

**But-** *The Greatest Difference*

**Have-** *The Greatest Certainty*

**Eternal life-** *The Greatest Possession*

It's a simple verse, but it's packed with much truths. The world's version of “the greatest” is drastically different than God's view. You may feel like you are not that important, but Jesus said that the “greatest of all” are those who are servant and become the “least of these.” Don't strive for the world's standards of success, but rather strive to be “great” in the kingdom.

Prayer: *Father, thank you for the love you displayed to me by sending your Son. Give me opportunities to serve my fellowman. Help me to not lose sight of what is really important, which is to be a servant. In Jesus Name, Amen!*

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