

The Love of God Expressed in the Greatest Gift

John 3:16

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Thesis: If we are born again Jesus has loved us longer and in a greater way than we could ever imagine.

1. The Context

- a. Nicodemus admits that God is with Jesus (vs. 1-2)
- b. Jesus confuses Nicodemus (vs. 3-4)
- c. Jesus explains the new birth and the life giving Spirit that Nicodemus should already understand (vs. 5-12)
- d. Jesus explains salvation from the story of Moses (vs. 13-15)

2. The love of God is expressed in the gift of Jesus (vs. 16a)

3. Belief in Jesus prevents eternal death (vs. 16b)

4. The greatest gift gives an eternal gift (vs. 16c)

5. No matter what this holiday brings we must cling to the truth that if we are born again Jesus has loved us longer and in a greater way than we could ever imagine.