



John 3:9-16

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GOD SENT HIS SON (Part 1)

Introduction:

I. WHY SHOULD WE KNOW? (3:9-12)

A. Our Failure to Understand (vs. 9-10)

“Nicodemus said to Him, ‘How can these things be?’”

“Are you the teacher of Israel and do not understand these things?”

- Ezekiel 36:25-27; Isaiah 32:15-16; Joel 2:28-29; Jeremiah 31:31-34

B. Our Failure to Accept Testimony (vs. 11)

“Truly, truly, I say to you, we speak of what we know and testify of what we have seen...”

“and you do not accept our testimony”

C. Our Failure to Believe (vs. 12)

“If I told you earthly things and you do not believe...”

“...how will you believe if I tell you heavenly things?”

II. WHAT WE SHOULD KNOW? (3:13-15)

A. That Which is Revealed (vs. 13)

“No one has ascended into heaven, but He who descended from heaven: the Son of Man”

B. That Which is Recorded (vs. 14)

“as Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness” (Numbers 21:4-9)

This was...
- a supernatural remedy
- a sufficient remedy
- a sure remedy
- a simple remedy
- a self-effacing remedy
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“even so must the Son of Man be lifted up”

C. That Which is Required (vs. 15)

“so that whoever believes will in Him have eternal life”

III. HOW CAN WE KNOW? (3:16)

A. The Father's Action (vs. 16a)

“for God so loved the world”

“that He gave His only begotten Son”

B. The Son's Accomplishment (vs. 16b)

“that whoever believes in Him shall not perish but have eternal life”

C. The Spirit's Application

Conclusion:

- 1)
- 2)
- 3)

Food for Thought:

- 1) Can a person come to saving faith without conviction of sin and repentance?
- 2) Can a person who believes that we must add good works to our faith for salvation be truly saved?
- 3) Does recognition of Jesus as Lord (“lordship salvation”) add a requirement for salvation? Why or why not?
- 4) Can a person be saved without knowing the details of what the Bible says about the death of the Son of God?