



JOHN 3:16

John, the son of Zebedee and brother of James, was one of the twelve _____ and one of Jesus' closest _____ during his time on earth.

John wrote the gospel of John several decades after Matthew, Mark, and Luke wrote their gospels.

John 3 recounts the well-known, night-time conversation between Jesus and Nicodemus.

There is some scholarly debate about the "voice" of John 3:16-21. Some scholars think Jesus spoke these words, while other scholars think John wrote these words as commentary on the previous story.

Mis-Interpreting John 3:16

- God's love for the world means _____ will be saved (John 3:18 ... Matthew 10:28).
- Everyone who makes a _____ to Jesus will be saved (Matthew 13:1-9, 13:18-23).
- Left to ourselves we have the ability to _____ whether or not we want to be born again (John 3:1-8 ... John 1:12-13).
- John 3:16 tells us _____ we need to know about the gospel (incarnation, atonement, resurrection, repentance, sanctification).

Rightly Interpreting John 3:16

- The gospel begins with God's _____ (1 John 4:10).
- The gospel centers on God's _____ (Mark 10:45, Hebrews 12:2).
- The gospel confronts us with God's _____ (Mark 1:15).
- The gospel sustains us with God's _____ (Romans 10:13).