

A.L.I.V.E. Bible Study
Date: January 17, 2021
Fulfilled – John 3:16-21

1. How does verse 16 begin?
 - a. You need to...
 - b. Why did you...
 - c. For God so loved the world that he gave...

2. John tells us that God gave his one and only Son for a purpose. What was that purpose? _____

3. What, according to verse 16, is the path to eternal life? _____

4. What does verse 17 assure us? _____

Is it hard to remember this about God? Yes _____ No _____ Explain. _____

5. Does that mean that Jesus would never tell us not to sin (or convict us of the sins we've committed)?
 - a. Yes, he says he will not condemn us.
 - b. No, he says that he will not condemn us, but he did come to save us not just from punishment, but from our sins (Matt 1:21).
 - c. No, John also says in 1 John 1:9 that he wants to do more than forgive, but also purify.
 - d. No, John goes on to describe in verse 19-21 how remaining in the darkness when light came into the world shows that we love our deeds instead of the light (Jesus).

6. Then what does it mean that he didn't come to condemn us, but to save us?
 - a. Jesus wants the best for you and the very reason that he commanded us in his world to do right was because it was better for us.
 - b. God recognized our inability to do the right thing on our own, so he came to give us strength that we didn't have. We don't have to do this on our own!
 - c. Jesus cares more about your future than your past.
 - d.

7. If "belief" is the path to eternal life, we must know what it means to believe. What does it mean to believe (see James 2:18-24)?
 - a. We affirm that we didn't come from apes.
 - b. We say a prayer that we believe.
 - c. We trust in Jesus in the actual situations of our life.
 - d. We recognize that it is in keeping our eyes on him that we do not sink in life (Matt 14:27-33)
 - e. True belief and trust (or faith) is shown in our actions. Demons "believe" but are not saved. Those who are saved are those that put their trust in the Lord.

8. Do you really believe in Jesus for your salvation, both in the individual situations of life and for eternal life? _____

9. Verse 19 describes the opposite (and more common response) to Jesus. Why, according to this verse do some choose not to put their trust in Jesus (the light) for salvation? _____

10. Have you come into the light or are you hanging in the shadows for fear that the light will expose your deeds? _____