



MESSAGE NOTES

God's Plan of Salvation

John 3:16
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1. An eternal plan

God's plan for our salvation has been in place from before the creation of the world and it will remain unchanged for all eternity. God has been in control from the start, we have never been alone.

Jeremiah 29:11 For I know the plans I have for you," declares the Lord, "plans to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give you hope and a future."

This is the good news of the gospel. God loves us, He's with us and He's on our side. And this plan, this eternal plan of salvation to give us a hope and a future, all finds its fulfilment in Jesus.

2. An eternal saviour

Jesus didn't just come into existence at Christmas time. It says in the Bible that He was with God in the beginning, that He was God and that all things were created through Him. This God of all creation came to us and allowed Himself to be killed by us, in order to restore us to a right relationship with Him.

John 1:4 In Him was life, and that life was the light of all mankind.

Through getting to know Jesus, through accepting the price He paid on the cross for us, we get to experience this light of His eternal life.

3. Eternal life

When we accept Jesus and choose to follow Him, He then gives us the gift of His eternal life. This life begins from the moment we accept Jesus and is a result of knowing Him and having a personal relationship with Him.

John 17:3 Now this is eternal life: that they know you, the only true God, and Jesus Christ, whom you have sent.

To be able to know God on a personal one to one level is the greatest gift, the greatest privilege we have been given. Your relationship with Jesus is the most precious thing in your life and it should also therefore be your number one priority in life.