

## **Born Again = Live Forever: John 3:1-21**

*Our Living Hope (The Gospel of John)*

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God so loved us through his Son that we might live by his Spirit.

### 1. Born Again: The requirement for entering God's kingdom by his Spirit, 3:1-15

#### a. Jesus underlines the necessity of our regeneration, 3:1-8

we must be purified from our sins and inhabited by the Spirit to enter God's kingdom

#### b. Jesus pictures the necessity of his crucifixion, 3:9-15

Jesus' rhetorical questions

Jesus' sovereign authority

Jesus' ultimate mission

### 2. Live Forever: The blessing for receiving God's love in his Son, 3:16-21

#### a. God has sent his love to the world, 3:16-18

God so loved the world that he gave - our gospel hope (eternal life) is anchored in gospel history (God *loved* us and gave his Son to die on the cross in our place)

#### b. God has sent his light into the world, 3:19-21

John explains why many reject the gospel of Jesus: people love darkness instead of light (moral decisions influence their mind and will)