
Series: That You Might Believe (John)

The Light that Shines Upon ALL Men (John 1:9b)

That was the true Light which gives light to every man coming into the world.

What does "all" mean? Who does the word "all" refer to?

- 1:3 All things were made through Him, and without Him nothing was made that was made. (c.f. 3:31; 3:35)
- 5:28 "Do not marvel at this; for the hour is coming in which all who are in the graves will hear His voice

Is Salvation for ALL? Everyone?

Some Verses Say that the World Rejects/Cannot Know the Truth

- 1:10 He was in the world, and the world was made through Him, and the world did not know Him.
- 3:19 "And this is the condemnation, that the light has come into the world, and men loved darkness rather than light, because their deeds were evil.
- 14:17 "the Spirit of truth, whom the world cannot receive, because it neither sees Him nor knows Him; but you know Him, for He dwells with you and will be in you.
- 17:25 "O righteous Father! The world has not known You, but I have known You; and these have known that You sent Me.

Some Verses Say that God Chooses Some to Be Saved

- ALL - 6:39 "This is the will of the Father who sent Me, that of all He has given Me I should lose nothing, but should raise it up at the last day.
- 9:39 And Jesus said, "For judgment I have come into this world, that those who do not see may see, and that those who see may be made blind."
- 15:19 "If you were of the world, the world would love its own. Yet because you are not of the world, but I chose you out of the world, therefore the world hates you.
- ALL - 17:2 "as You have given Him authority over all flesh, that He should give eternal life to as many as You have given Him.
- 17:6 "I have manifested Your name to the men whom You have given Me out of the world. They were Yours, You gave them to Me, and they have kept Your word.
- 17:9 "I pray for them. I do not pray for the world but for those whom You have given Me, for they are Yours.

Some Verses Say that Everyone Is Affected

- 1:9 That was the true Light which gives light to every man coming into the world.
- ALL - 1:16 And of His fullness we have all received, and grace for grace.
- 8:12 Then Jesus spoke to them again, saying, "I am the light of the world. He who follows Me shall not walk in darkness, but have the light of life."

- 9:5 "As long as I am in the world, I am the light of the world."
- ALL - 12:32 "And I, if I am lifted up from the earth, will draw all peoples to Myself."
- 16:8 "And when He has come, He will convict the world of sin, and of righteousness, and of judgment:

Some Verses Say that God's Intention Is to Save Everyone

- ALL - 1:7 This man came for a witness, to bear witness of the Light, that all through him might believe.
- ALL - 3:15 "that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have eternal life.
- BOTH - 3:16 "For God so loved the world that He gave His only begotten Son, that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have everlasting life.
- 3:17 "For God did not send His Son into the world to condemn the world, but that the world through Him might be saved.

Some Verses Say that Salvation Is Possible for All

- 1:29 The next day John saw Jesus coming toward him, and said, "Behold! The Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world!"
- 4:42 Then they said to the woman, "Now we believe, not because of what you said, for we ourselves have heard *Him* and we know that this is indeed the Christ, the Savior of the world."
- 6:33 "For the bread of God is He who comes down from heaven and gives life to the world."
- ALL - 6:37 "All that the Father gives Me will come to Me, and the one who comes to Me I will by no means cast out.
- ALL - 6:40 "And this is the will of Him who sent Me, that everyone who sees the Son and believes in Him may have everlasting life; and I will raise him up at the last day."
- 6:51 "I am the living bread which came down from heaven. If anyone eats of this bread, he will live forever; and the bread that I shall give is My flesh, which I shall give for the life of the world."
- ALL - 11:26 "And whoever lives and believes in Me shall never die. Do you believe this?"
- 12:46 "I have come as a light into the world, that whoever believes in Me should not abide in darkness.
- 12:47 "And if anyone hears My words and does not believe, I do not judge him; for I did not come to judge the world but to save the world.
- 17:18 "As You sent Me into the world, I also have sent them into the world.
- 17:21 "that they all may be one, as You, Father, *are* in Me, and I in You; that they also may be one in Us, that the world may believe that You sent Me.
- 17:23 "I in them, and You in Me; that they may be made perfect in one, and that the world may know that You have sent Me, and have loved them as You have loved Me.