

SERMON DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

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- 1. Share about a time you saw beauty or hope emerge from a very difficult situation. How did it change the way you looked at suffering?
- 2. Many cultures use symbols to carry meaning like flags, art, jewelry, etc. What symbol has been meaningful in your faith journey and why?

Read John 3:14-15

- 3. What is significant about the Son of Man descending from heaven?
- 4. Why would Jesus reference the bronze serpent on the pole in the wilderness recorded in Numbers 21? What purpose did this reference serve in communicating the meaning of the death of Jesus?

Read John 3:16-17

- 5. Why are these verses so loved and so popular?
- 6. How does the contrast between condemnation (which the Father sent the Son NOT to do) and salvation (which is the result of believing in Jesus), reveal the depths of the love of God?
- 7. While Jesus drew all things to himself as he was lifted up on the cross, what happens in the age to come if some people refuse to come to Jesus?
- 8. How does a reflection on the love of God revealed in the cross cause you to grow in faith?