

Pastor D's Letter March 6, 2022

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John 3:16.

This verse is so powerful, it is the one verse everyone knows just by its address (the book, chapter and verse). At sporting events in end zones, under backboards, and behind home plate, you will see a poster that simply says, JOHN 3:16. Why? Because this verse reminds us of the depth of God's love.

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We do crazy things for those we love. We make sacrifices for those we love. We will stay up late to help those we love. Two weeks ago, I drove from Yuma to Ventura and back in one day (on a Saturday) because I love my nephew and wanted to be there when he got married. That one day trip is not something I would ordinarily choose to do. It was just the only way I could "be there" for my nephew.

God went to great lengths for us – because He loves us. God took on flesh, and was born as a baby in a manger. Jesus lived in submission to earthly authority (for example Luke 2:51). He walked everywhere. And then he died because he told the truth, He is God. Feeling the pain of death and carrying the burden of the sin of the world he died, was buried and then rose again. The Gospel tells us, he died for our sin, he rose to conquer the power of death. And he returned to Heaven taking his resurrected flesh with Him – to prepare a place for us to be with Him in glory.

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As you journey through Lent remember, GOD LOVES YOU!

Dr. D

NEWS UPDATES

- Join us for **Fellowship after church** in the Fellowship Hall.
- Adult SUNDAY SCHOOL AT 10:30 in the Fellowship Hall (Cold Case Christianity).
- **Join us for WVN Bible Study this Wednesday, Luke 5**
- **MASKS ARE OPTIONAL** IN WORSHIP! Be considerate of those who choose to wear masks and maintain social distance.
- If you cannot come in person, we continue to broadcast our **SERVICE LIVE** every Sunday at 9 a.m.
on <https://www.facebook.com/SierraVistaPresbyterianChurch/>. Our account is public. **YOU DO NOT NEED A FACEBOOK ACCOUNT TO WATCH.** If you come to worship in person or watch at home, **invite a friend to join you.** **Worship sheets** are available on our website at <https://www.sierravistayuma.com/> under the NEWS Tab.
- If you wish to receive the monthly **newsletter** or know someone who wants to receive **Pastor D's Letter**, contact the church office with your email information.
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