***JON’S SERMON OUTLINE….***

WHAT THE WORLD NEEDS NOW

***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.****17****For God did not send His Son into the world to condemn the world, but that the world through Him might be saved.* ***18****He who believes in Him is not condemned; but he who does not believe is condemned already, because he has not believed in the name of the only begotten Son of God.****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.****20****For everyone practicing evil hates the light and does not come to the light, lest his deeds should be exposed.****21****But he who does the truth comes to the light, that his deeds may be clearly seen, that they have been done in God.”*

John 3:16-21

Introduction: My sermon title today might put a song in your head. It may even put a verse in your heart. Some people say it’s the world’s most popular Bible verse. But, we’ll go beyond John 3:16 and consider three things needed by our modern world as we read the rest of Jesus’ words in John 3:

1. OUR NEED FOR \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (3:16):

 a. Our world is busy looking for it in all the wrong places.

 b. It can only be found in the heart of God.

 c. In the midst of a dying world, God provided a remedy.

2. OUR NEED FOR \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (3:17-18):

 a. Eternal separation from God is the worst kind of “life”.

 b. God doesn’t choose hell for anyone (2 Peter 3:9).

 c. Hell is a real place of separation from God.

3. OUR NEED FOR \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (3:19-21):

 a. We yearn for the thing that keeps us from what we need.

 b. Even our good deeds are insufficient.

 c. Only that which is done in Christ is truly good.

CONCLUSION: Do you have all that you need in Jesus?

Answers: 1. Love 2. Life 3. Light