JOHN 3:16 Marc Gibson

"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."

This is a very well-known scripture. It describes the greatness of God's love demonstrated in the giving of His Son for our salvation. This loving sacrifice was given for the whole world – all mankind. If a person believes in Him, he will have the promise of everlasting life. God gave so much so that we could gain so much!

1 JOHN 3:16

"By this we know love, because He laid down His life for us. And we also ought to lay down our lives for the brethren."

This is also a very important scripture. Since we can understand the true nature of love by the actions of God the Father and God the Son, we then can demonstrate that great love toward our own brethren in the Lord. In fact, we should be willing to give our own lives for our brethren. This is not an option; this is something we "ought" to do for "the brethren." Would you be willing to risk your life for a brother or sister in Christ? Really, would you? Are some brothers or sisters higher on your "I-would-die-for" list than others? Why? Perhaps you think there are some brethren who are not worth giving your life for. If so, what made you worthy of Jesus' life? Think on these things.