

December 22, 2024
Shall Not Perish But Have Everlasting Life
[John 3:16](#)

This week, Pastor David continued a special series for Advent. In the message, he expanded on two truths:

- **Our Greatest Need: Should Not Perish**
- **Our Greatest Blessing: But Have Eternal Life**

GOING DEEPER:

- Pastor David shared that we can't understand the depths of God's love unless we ponder the weight of what we are being rescued from. Our faith in Jesus rescues us from eternal spiritual death. How can you change your schedule this week to make more time for reflection on this truth and expressing thankfulness for what God has done for you in and through Jesus?
- Sin is serious, and it causes separation. Sin poisons us and pollutes our relationship with each other and with God (**[Romans 6:23](#)**). There is a Hell to be rescued from. Have you experienced God's rescue through faith in Jesus? Describe that experience. If you have not experienced faith in Jesus, who can you talk to this week to learn more about it?
- The last phrase of **[John 3:16](#)** has a vitally important conjunction: "but." The good news is that everyone who believes will have eternal life. Jesus promised that for those who believe in Him, death is not a dead end but rather a doorway to a new life that will never end. How does this truth stir up joy and peace and courage in you?
- Eternal life is about quantity of life ahead and about quality life now (**[John 17:3](#)**). Knowing God is having an intimate fellowship with Him and comes by knowing Jesus who revealed His Father. Eternal life is both present and future. How does this truth give you hope as you face the obstacles and trials in this season of your life?

ADDITIONAL RESOURCES:

- To view past sermons in this series, please click **[here](#)**.

The LORD bless you and keep you; the LORD make his face shine on you and be gracious to you; the LORD turn his face toward you and give you peace. Numbers 6:24–26

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