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"For God so loved the world that he gave his one and only Son, that whoever believes in him shall not perish but have eternal life. For God did not send his Son into the world to condemn the world, but to save the world through him."

— John 3:16-17 (NIV)

"The High Price of Freedom"

It is a freedom rooted in a passionate love!

Long ago the LORD said to Israel: "I have loved you, my people, with an everlasting love. With unfailing love I have drawn you to myself. — Jeremiah 31:3 (NLT)

For the mountains may move and the hills disappear, but even then my faithful love for you will remain.

- Isaiah 54:10 (NLT)

It is a freedom offered to everyone everywhere!

We are made right with God by placing our faith in Jesus Christ. And this is true for everyone who believes, no matter who we are.

- Romans 3:22 (NLT)

It is a freedom born from an <u>extraordinary action!</u>

So the Word became human and made his home among us. He was full of unfailing love and faithfulness. And we have seen his glory, the glory of the Father's one and only Son. — John 1:14 (NLT)

It is a freedom that came with the ultimate sacrifice!

Now, most people would not be willing to die for an upright person, though someone might perhaps be willing to die for a person who is especially good. **But God** showed his great love for us by sending Christ to die for us while we were still sinners.

- Romans 5:7-8 (NLT)

It is a freedom that must be received to be enjoyed!

He came into the very world he created, but the world didn't recognize him. He came to his own people, and even they rejected him. But to all who believed him and accepted him, he gave the right to become children of God.

— John 1:10-12 (NLT)