Courageous Giving: Dying to Give

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John 3:16

"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.

1. GOD LOVED

"For God so loved ______'

From Greek word "Agape":

- □ to love without condition
- □ to love without regard for love returned
- □ love <u>based on high regard</u> for an individuals <u>inherent value</u>

Because God Loved...

2. HE GAVE

"... that he gave his one and only Son..."

Agape:

- ☐ An active love ("Love is a Verb" Steven Covey)
- □ Not based on <u>performance</u> or <u>merit</u>.
- □ Just because GOD LOVES YOU!!

Because God Loved, He Gave, so that...

3. YOU COULD LIVE

"... that whoever believes in him shall not perish but have eternal life."

Because God <u>LOVED</u> He <u>GAVE</u> So that <u>YOU</u> could <u>LIVE</u>

Talk about Courageous Giving!!