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Read John 3:16

If you could go anywhere in the world, where would you go?

People who live in other parts of the world might speak a different language, eat different foods, or have different jobs than people here. But every person in every part of the world has one thing in common. Everyone is invited to follow Jesus!

Look at today's verse. Who does God love? The world...that's every person everywhere. God loves us SO much! Jesus came to make a way for everyone to have a relationship with God. Everyone is invited to God's party.

But everyone might not know that. Who can you think of that might not know about Jesus? Write their name in the blank below. Say the verse aloud and ask God to help you be a party starter by inviting that friend to church.

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Maybe you're thinking, "Yeah, I'd be mad too. Nobody's throwing me a party for doing the right thing." But the older brother missed something important. His brother's return wasn't a reason to be angry, it was a reason to celebrate.

Are you like the older brother, a kid who often makes the wise choice? While that might be true some of the time, it's not true ALL the time. No matter how hard you try, you aren't perfect. Just like the younger brother, you need forgiveness too. Thankfully, Jesus offers that forgiveness to everyone. We should celebrate, because that's good news!



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But Jesus wasn't there to judge her. He was there to offer her living water—the kind of water that would lead to LIFE, eternal life forever with God. While she needed water to survive physically, Jesus wanted her to have living water that would sustain her soul forever. He offers the same living water to us, too. When we put our trust in Jesus, we can have a relationship with God that lasts forever. Because Jesus is the life of the party!

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