Come and See Jesus the Light of the World

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INTRODUCTION

- One of the things that really stuck out this time in prepping this lesson was how all of the gospel writers use the idea of light and Jesus being that light.
- These signs have been written that you may believe that Jesus is the Christ, the son of God, and that believing you may have life in his name.
- He is a light for Jerusalem and Israel. He's also a light for the whole world.

1 Light Brings Life

John 8:12; John 1:1–5; Isaiah 9:2

- He who follows me shall not walk in darkness, but shall have the light of life.
- Jesus is the light that never goes out. And whenever we come to him and follow him, we don't have to stay in the dark.
- As the light, Jesus is the source of spiritual and eternal life.
- In him was life and the life was the light of men.
- The spiritual life that Jesus brings allows us to get close to God. The eternal life that Jesus brings enables us to be with God for all of eternity.

2 The Light Reveals Sin and Blindness

Genesis 1:3–4; John 1:5–9; John 9:39–41

- The very first thing God does is bring light to a dark world.
- He is the light that shines in the darkness and darkness can't overcome it.
- Jesus reveals truth that darkness hides.
- The light of God reveals sin. It has you turn.
- Do not participate in the unfruitful deeds of darkness, but instead expose them.
- There are often times where Jesus's light brings about the sin in our life that we need to address and get honest with.

3 His Light Shines on Us and We Reflect

Matthew 5:14–15

- Jesus also tells the disciples that they too are lights in the world.
- His light shines on us and then we reflect in this very dark world.
- We're not to isolate ourselves from the darkness and to just keep our light on all by ourselves.

- Whenever every situation around us is most challenging but the dark is when we shine.
- Jesus explains that no one lights a lamp and then hides it because it serve no purpose.

4 Out of Blindness to Glorify God

John 9:1–3; Matthew 5:16

- He brings us out of blindness and into sight so that we can glorify God through all of it.
- It was to bring glory to God so others would hear about it and God would be made known.
- As this encounter grew with Jesus and the man's eyes were opened up, he started to make more sense of who Jesus was. And every time he did, he declared it.
- We let others see our good works to give glory to our father who is in heaven.

THE CHALLENGE

So the invitation is there to encourage you that if you're living in darkness, make the change.

MY NOTES