

## I am the Light of the World

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## Introduction:

- "I am" statements of Jesus
- Darkness can be dangerous and scary

"I am the light of the world. If you follow me, you won't have to walk in darkness, because you will have the light that leads to life."

John 8:12

## **Light and Darkness**

1. Jesus is		
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Jesus replied, "My light will shine for you just a little longer. Walk in the light while you can, so the darkness will not overtake you. Those who walk in the darkness cannot see where they are going.

John 12:35

I have come as a light to shine in this dark world, so that all who put their trust in me will no longer remain in the dark.

John 12:46

## 2. Jesus commissions us to

If you are filled with light, with no dark corners, then your whole life will be radiant, as though a floodlight were filling you with light."

Luke 11:36

You are the light of the world—like a city on a hilltop that cannot be hidden. No one lights a lamp and then puts it under a basket. Instead, a lamp is placed on a stand, where it gives light to everyone in the house. In the same way, let your good deeds shine out for all to see, so that everyone will praise your heavenly Father.

Matthew 5:14-16

☐ I receive Jesus as my light and life, and accept his guidance to avoid darkness
☐ I confess that sometimes I have a hard time with God's light in my life and am tempted to hide in the darkness
☐ I commit to live in God's light so that I don't have to walk in darkness
☐ I commit to shine my light in a dark world

**Next Steps:**