

I Am the Light of the World / What's in a Name Part 3 of 8

John 8:12, Matthew 5:14-16

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John 8:12

The light symbolizes two very specific things.

1. The visible light symbolizes the presence of God.
2. It symbolized the coming of the Messiah.

1. Jesus' Language and Imagery Were

Un_____.

- Isaiah 9:2
- John 1:4-5

2. Something Even More Startling and

Un_____ Happens.

- Matthew 5:14-16.

3. Light Helps to Define Our _____ as Christians.

4. We Must be an Attractive _____ of Light.

- “Kalos” means something is not only excellent but is also winsome, beautiful, and attractive.

5. We Must Be a Light that Calls Attention to _____, Not to Ourselves.

Weekly Application Point - What kind of light are you shining in your corner of the world? No matter where life takes you this week, think in your mind in each of those places, “I carry the light of Jesus Christ. Is the way that I am living or conducting my life drawing people to or distancing people from Jesus?”

GROWTH QUESTIONS:

1. What does Jesus mean by claiming to be the "light of the world"? Why did people during the Feast of the Tabernacle see this as a huge disruption?
2. How does this image of light relate to darkness, and how does Jesus offer to bring people out of darkness?
3. Write down or share a time when Jesus has been a source of light in your life.
4. How can we, as followers of Jesus, reflect his light to others in our community?
5. Write down or share with your group how you have recently seen Jesus be the light in your life.