

SERMON DISCUSSION GUIDE / MARCH 17

TO APPLY, NOT REHASH, THE SERMON

Read

Read John 8:12–20 and consider making some observations about the passage.

Sermon Recap

Review the sermon with your group, highlighting the following:

- "Jesus takes the loftiest name of God, 'I AM', and claims it for himself, attaching it to our greatest areas of brokenness or need."
- "The irony of the gospel is that if you expose and confess your sins to Jesus, he will cover them. But if you cover them from him, Jesus will one day expose and judge them."
- "The light of the world first absorbed our darkness. The gospel message is, 'Look to Jesus, the light of the world, and be saved.'"
- Walking in the light is living with integrity, courage, grace, and hope, reflecting Jesus' love and radiance in all we do.

Group Discussion

1. How does Jesus' statement, "I am the light of the world" (8:12), deepen our understanding of his identity and what it means to follow him?
2. Can you share a personal experience where Jesus' light revealed an area of your life that needed change or healing?
3. How does understanding that Jesus is the "light of the world" influence your decisions and actions in everyday life?
4. Reflect on a challenging time in your life. How does recognizing Jesus as the light help us navigate through suffering?
5. In practical terms, what are some ways we can reflect Jesus' light within our community or workplace?

SCRIPTURE

- "And this is the judgment: the light has come into the world, and people loved the darkness rather than the light because their works were evil. For everyone who does wicked things hates the light and does not come to the light, lest his works should be exposed. But whoever does what is true comes to the light, so that it may be clearly seen that his works have been carried out in God."

- John 3:19–21 (ESV)

PRAYER

- Pray God would grant us the ability to recognize and embrace Jesus as the light of the world in every aspect of our lives.
- Ask God to help us reflect his light through integrity, courage, grace, and hope in our daily interactions and decisions.