

LifeGroup Discussion Questions

Based on: Various

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Overview: From John Piper

1. Jesus's being "the light of the world" means the world has no other light than Him. If there is going to be a light for the world, it will be Jesus. It is Jesus or darkness. There is no third alternative. No other light.
2. It means, therefore, that all the world, and everyone in it needs Jesus as their light.
3. It means that the world was made for this light. This is not a foreign light. This is the light of the owner of the world. When this light comes, it not only makes sin plain as foreign and ugly, but it also makes everything good in the world shine with its full and true beauty. This world was made to be illumined by this light. This light of Christ is native to the world.
4. And finally, Jesus being "the light of the world" means that that one day this world will be filled with this light as the waters cover the sea, and all darkness, and all the works of darkness, and all the sons of darkness will be cast out. In that day, all will be light. Jesus, the radiance of the Father, will fill the world, and everything will be beautiful with the light of Christ.

Bible Study: Various

Genesis 1:3-4

³And God said, "Let there be light," and there was light. ⁴And God saw that the light was good. And God separated the light from the darkness.

Romans 13:12-13

¹²The night is nearly over; the day is almost here. So let us put aside the deeds of darkness and put on the armor of light. ¹³Let us behave decently, as in the daytime, not in carousing and drunkenness, not in sexual immorality and debauchery, not in dissension and jealousy.

Isaiah 9:2

The people who walked in darkness have seen a great light; those who dwelt in a land of deep darkness, on them has light shone.

Luke 2:8-9

⁸And in the same region there were shepherds out in the field, keeping watch over their flock by night. ⁹And an angel of the Lord appeared to them, and the glory of the Lord shone around them, and they were filled with great fear.

John 1:4-5

⁴In him was life, and the life was the light of men. ⁵The light shines in the darkness, and the darkness has not overcome it.

John 8:12

¹²Again Jesus spoke to them, saying, "I am the light of the world. Whoever follows me will not walk in darkness, but will have the light of life.

1. As Christmas approaches how do you stay focused on Jesus and not the busyness of the season?
2. Do you view Jesus as a Light in your life? Why or why not?
3. What does it mean to walk in the Light?
4. Light exposes what is hidden. How does your relationship with Jesus expose the areas of sin in your life?
5. Discuss as a group some of your favorite Christmas traditions.