



I AM the Light of the World! ...John 8:12-59

"Again 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." ...John 8:12 (ESV)

1. Light of the World...Really *Knowing* who Jesus is!

Scripture: *John 8:12,19,28,58, John 6:40,47, Hebrews 1:2-3*

2. A Life-Changing Relationship...

Scripture: *Romans 8:3-16, Galatians 4:4-7, John 10:27-30*

3. Abiding in Jesus: Who you Are vs. What you Do... *Identity vs. Calling...*

Scripture: *John 8:31-36, John 15:1-11, Matthew 5:16*

Group Discussion

1. What stood out to you in tonight's message and scripture passages? ...*Be descriptive!*
2. Personally knowing the Lord Jesus and choosing to "abide in Him" (*Definition: "Abide"...living and acting in accordance with Him, ...Aligning your heart and life with His*), will have a direct affect in every area of your life...
 - ◆ Can you describe some of the significant ways that your life has been affected by "abiding" in Jesus?
 - ◆ In what ways has "abiding in Jesus" changed who you are as a Man, a Husband, a Dad, a Son, a Friend?
3. Are there areas in your life that you are holding on to and not giving over to the Lord...where you still need to grow in your commitment, life-choices, and behavior as a Man of God? ...*be descriptive and honest!*
 - ◆ What are the barriers that are keeping you from surrendering those areas of your life to God's will, over your own? What are you going to do about it?
4. Over the past few weeks we have talked about "letting your light shine before others in such a way that they may see your good works and give glory to your Father who is in Heaven" (Matt 5:16)...and in today's message we looked at John 8:12 where the Lord Jesus said, "I am the light of the world. Whoever follows Me will not walk in darkness, but will have the light of life."
 - ◆ Describe what is meant by "the Light" in these verses...
 - ◆ What does that practically look like in your life? ...*give examples!*
5. Is there anything from tonight's discussion that spoke to you personally? In what way(s) does it affect your life? How will you directly and specifically apply it in your life today?

Prayer

Take a few moments to share any Prayer Requests with the men in your Group. Write down any requests and commit to pray for one another throughout the week.

(It's great to know that other guys are praying for the important things in your life...and it's great to be praying for the important things in their lives!)

How do the **5 Principles for the Christian Man**, help equip you to apply this to your life?

Discuss your answer with your group...

- Prayer (*Relationship*)
- God's Word (*Knowledge and Understanding*)
- Worship (*Adoration*)
- Fellowship (*Encouragement and Accountability*)
- Service (*Caring for Others, Action to your Belief*)