

Because He Is

Living in Light of Who Jesus Is

I Am the Light of the World | John 8:12–20 | September 20, 2026

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TEACHING Jesus gives us light and life

“I am the light of the world. Anyone who follows me will never walk in the darkness but will have the light of life.” John 8:12, CSB

Jesus is the Light we need. He makes the Father known. John 8:12

Jesus confronts the darkness we defend. His truth searches our judgments and resistance. John 8:13–19

Jesus gives life to those who follow Him. We receive His gift through faith and learn to live under His direction. John 8:12

Because He is the Light of the World, I can follow Him into life.

TOOL One area and one faithful response

1. Let His truth search me. What am I defending, hiding, or needing help to face?

2. Listen to Jesus. Read John 8:12–20. What do His words reveal about Him and my response?

3. Begin following here. What response will I begin within 24 hours?

Tell the truth, ask for help, make a wise step toward repair, or offer practical care. Keep personal details private as needed. Grief and honest questions are not failures of faith.

TASK Practice following this week

For **September 20–26**, take five minutes daily to read John 8:12–20 and pray about your named area. Begin the response you wrote above. At week's end, ask: How has receiving Jesus' truth changed my response?

Exploring faith? Write one honest question about Jesus and talk with a trusted Christian or pastor. You are welcome to begin that conversation.

This practice responds to His grace; it does not earn His love.

Prayer: Jesus, Light of the World, help me receive Your truth, bring my life honestly before You, and follow You today. Amen.

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