# Hanukkah

John 10:22-30

John 1:4 NKJV - In Him was life, and the life was the light of men.

John 1:9 NKJV - That was the true Light which gives light to every man coming into the world.

John 3:19 ESV - 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.

John 8:12 NKJV - ... "I am the light of the world. He who follows Me shall not walk in darkness, but have the light of life."

John 12:46 NKJV - "I have come as a light into the world, that whoever believes in Me should not abide in darkness.

#### John 10:22-30 NKJV -

- 22 Now it was the Feast of Dedication in Jerusalem, and it was winter.
- 23 And Jesus walked in the temple, in Solomon's porch.
- 24 Then the Jews surrounded Him and said to Him, "How long do You keep us in doubt? If You are the Christ, tell us plainly."

### John 10:22-30 NKJV -

- 25 Jesus answered them, "I told you, and you do not believe. The works that I do in My Father's name, they bear witness of Me.
- 26 "But you do not believe, because you are not of My sheep, as I said to you.
- 27 "My sheep hear My voice, and I know them, and they follow Me.

### John 10:22-30 NKJV -

28 "And I give them eternal life, and they shall never perish; neither shall anyone snatch them out of My hand.

29 "My Father, who has given them to Me, is greater than all; and no one is able to snatch them out of My Father's hand.

30 "I and My Father are one."

## How it all began: Hanukkah

336 to 323 BC - Alexander the Great Jews could still live and practice

168 B.C - Antiochus IV Epiphanes

Desecrated the temple, set up a statue of Zeus, sacrificed a pig on the altar, declared himself as God and to be worshiped.

165 B.C - Mattathias Maccabee and Sons Fought back and cleansed the temple



#### Hanukkah: what we can learn

- 1. Hanukkah means dedication
- 2. It is a festival of lights with a new kind of lamp stand
- 3. The last shall be first
- 4. It's visible to the outside
- 5. The servant candle is at the center in lights everything.





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Jesus said, "I am the Light of the world; he who follows Me will not walk in the darkness, but will have the Light of life" (John 8:12).

And He commanded us to "Let your light shine before men in such a way that they may see your good works, and glorify your Father who is in heaven" (Matthew 5:16).

"The Lord bless you and keep you;
The Lord make His face shine upon you,
And be gracious to you;
The Lord lift up His countenance upon you,
And give you peace."
Numbers 6:24-26 (NKJV)