



# *Light* in the *Darkness*

## Small Group Study Questions

Week 2

### **John 1:9-18 (NASB1995)**

9 There was the true Light which, coming into the world, enlightens every man. 10 He was in the world, and the world was made through Him, and the world did not know Him. 11 He came to His own, and those who were His own did not receive Him. 12 But as many as received Him, to them He gave the right to become children of God, even to those who believe in His name, 13 who were born, not of blood nor of the will of the flesh nor of the will of man, but of God.

14 And the Word became flesh, and dwelt among us, and we saw His glory, glory as of the only begotten from the Father, full of grace and truth. 15 John \*testified about Him and cried out, saying, “This was He of whom I said, ‘He who comes after me has a higher rank than I, for He existed before me.’” 16 For of His fullness we have all received, and grace upon grace. 17 For the Law was given through Moses; grace and truth were realized through Jesus Christ. 18 No one has seen God at any time; the only begotten God who is in the bosom of the Father, He has explained Him.

## DIGGING DEEPER

How did you share the true Light this past week to those around you?

Summarize what we have learned about the Word from last week (John 1:1-9).

### **Read John 1:9-11**

Do we learn anything new from these verses?

Who is the Word's "own" (vs. 11)? Why did they reject him?

### **Read John 1:12-13**

Who are the children of God? How do we get that status?

John gives false reasons someone is a child of God in vs 13: not from a bloodline or family heritage, not by the physical desire, or of the will of one's father.

What are some benefits of your family heritage? What are some things you have gotten because of your desire? Have your family choices given you any benefits?

## DIGGING DEEPER

### Read John 1:14

Why is it important that the Word dwells among us?

### Read John 1:15-18

Do we learn anything new from these verses about the Word?

Verse 18 is an explanation of the question Philip asks in John 14:8 (look at that interaction for more details). What do we know about God because of Jesus?

Group Activity: Spend time in prayer giving praise and glory to God for what you know about him because of the Word, Jesus Christ.

## TAKING IT HOME

## PRAYER REQUEST

