



**Light of the World - Part 1 - I Am the Light of the World**  
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***Memory Verse:***

In him was life, and that life was the light of all mankind. <sup>5</sup> The light shines in the darkness, and the darkness has not overcome it.  
- John 1:4-5

The people walking in darkness have seen a great light; on those living in the land of deep darkness a light has dawned. - Isaiah 9:2

- **Darkness represents EVIL.**
- **Darkness represents IGNORANCE.**

Distressed and hungry, they will roam through the land... <sup>22</sup> Then they will look toward the earth and see only distress and darkness and fearful gloom. - Isaiah 8:21-22

Simeon was there. He took the child in his arms and praised God, saying, <sup>29</sup> "Sovereign Lord, now let your servant die in peace, as you have promised. <sup>30</sup> I have seen your salvation, <sup>31</sup> which you have prepared for all people. <sup>32</sup> He is a light to reveal God to the nations and he is the glory of your people Israel!" – Luke 2:28-32

**JESUS, THE LIGHT OF THE WORLD**

When Jesus spoke again to the people, he said, "I am the light of the world. Whoever follows me will never walk in darkness, but will have the light of life." - John 8:12

**1) Light represents God's PRESENCE.**

The virgin will conceive and give birth to a son, and they will call him Immanuel (which means "God with us"). - Matthew 1:23

Do not gloat over me, my enemy! Though I have fallen, I will rise. Though I sit in darkness, the Lord will be my light. - Micah 7:8

**2) Light represents God's PROTECTION.**

For Christ also suffered once for sins, the righteous for the unrighteous, to bring you to God. He was put to death in the body but made alive in the Spirit. - 1 Peter 3:18

**3) Light represents God's GUIDANCE.**

For once you were full of darkness, but now you have light from the Lord. So live as people of light! <sup>9</sup> For this light within you produces only what is good and right and true. – Ephesians 5:8-9

I have come as a light to shine in this dark world, so that all who put their trust in me will no longer remain in the dark.  
– John 12:46