## John 4-8: The Word Made Known "Light Offered, Darkness Embraced" John 8:12-59

Light was the first thing God created (Genesis 1:3, 4); but more importantly, light is a characteristic of God Himself (1 John 1:5). Resuming again His debate with the religious authorities, Jesus now makes another breathtaking claim...He is not merely a reflection of the light of God. He is the divine luminary providing light to the whole world!

- 1. His Witness of Himself (vv.12-19)
  - "I AM the Light of the World"
  - Discipleship Barrier #1 → Self-Righteousness
- 2. His World vs. Their World (vv.20-29)
  - Place of Access, Portal to Heaven
  - Discipleship Barrier #2 → Refusal to Believe Truth
- 3. His Lineage vs. Their Lineage (vv.30-45)
  - Sons Reflect Fathers
  - Discipleship Barrier #3 → Casual Belief, Self-Delusion
- 4. His Behavior vs. Their Blasphemy (vv.46-59)
  - Transparency, Tomb, and Time
  - Discipleship Barrier #4 → Denial of Deity, Blasphemy