

## The Light of the World

Week 2 | John 8:12-30

Jesus Christ makes seven "I am" statements, recorded in the Gospel of John, that reveal to us his mission for the world, his love for his people, and his passion for his glory.

Gospel Communities are a people that are sharing Christ and life with one another.

These communities are designed to foster a family-like environment through the means of eating together, praying for each other, and sharing our lives with one another.

At the same time, Gospel Communities are purposefully centered on the gospel, as it is the gospel that provides all measures of growth. Therefore, as you read the passage of Scripture, be sure to note how this text connects with the rest of the Bible and points to the good news of Jesus Christ.

## **BEFORE YOU START**

Pray for God to illuminate his word, guide the conversation, and stir our souls.

Who do you know that radiates the light of Christ? How do they do this well?

## Read John 8:12-30.

Summarize the passage in your own words. How does this text connect to the gospel? What else stands out to you?



According to this passage, what are the things that Jesus offers us as the light of the world? What are the things that the world offers us?



John Owen once wrote: "Be killing sin, or it will be killing you." How have you seen the effects of the darkness of sin in your life?



According to Matthew 5:16, we too are called to be lights before the world. How can you let your light shine before men this week? Is there anything about the way you are living that might need to change so that you can better glorify Christ?

## **BEFORE YOU'RE SENT**

What is God teaching you? What are you going to do about it? How can we help?

How can we pray for you? For your neighbors?

