

JESUS: THE LIGHT OF THE WORLD

*The True Light that gives life to everyone was coming into the world.  
John 1:9 (NIV)*

- ❖ The Light has always been here since CREATION and brings LIFE to all people. (John 1:1-5)

*In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. <sup>2</sup> He was with God in the beginning. <sup>3</sup> Through him all things were made; without him nothing was made that has been made. <sup>4</sup> 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 1:1-5 (NIV)

- ❖ Those who RECEIVE the Light, become the CHILDREN of God. (John 1:9-13)

*The true light that gives light to everyone was coming into the world. <sup>10</sup> He was in the world, and though the world was made through him, the world did not recognize him. <sup>11</sup> He came to that which was his own, but his own did not receive him. <sup>12</sup> Yet to all who did receive him, to those who believed in his name, he gave the right to become children of God— <sup>13</sup> children born not of natural descent, nor of human decision or a husband's will, but born of God.*

John 1:9-13 (NIV)

- ❖ The Light became HUMAN and lived with us. (John 1:14-15)

*The Word became flesh and made his dwelling among us. We have seen his glory, the glory of the one and only Son, who came from the Father, full of grace and truth. <sup>15</sup> (John testified concerning him. He cried out, saying, "This is the one I spoke about when I said, 'He who comes after me has surpassed me because he was before me.'")*

John 1:14-15 (NIV)

*The Word became flesh and blood, and moved into the neighborhood. We saw the glory with our own eyes, the one-of-a-kind glory, like Father, like Son, Generous inside and out, true from start to finish.*

John 1:14 (The Message)

- ❖ JESUS is the LIGHT of creation, the world, life, and Christmas. (John 1:16-18)

*Out of his fullness we have all received grace in place of grace already given. <sup>17</sup> For the law was given through Moses; grace and truth came through Jesus Christ. <sup>18</sup> No one has ever seen God, but the one and only Son, who is himself God and is in closest relationship with the Father, has made him known.*

John 1:16-18 (NIV)