



**GOD Who IS Light.**

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## **BIG IDEA – Living as light in a dark world**

**Scripture Focus – 1 John 1:5-7 NIV** This is the message we have heard from him and declare to you: God is light; in him there is no darkness at all. If we claim to have fellowship with him and yet walk in the darkness, we lie and do not live out the truth. But if we walk in the light, as he is in the light, we have fellowship with one another, and the blood of Jesus, his Son, purifies us from all sin.

### **Title: Living as Light in a Dark World**

**Sermon Summary:** This sermon explores the nature of God as light and calls believers to reflect that light in their lives. It emphasizes the importance of walking in God's light, examining one's life for areas of darkness or sin, and surrendering fully to God. The message highlights the purifying power of Jesus' blood and challenges Christians to live transparently and impact the world around them.

### **Key Points:**

- God's nature is light, representing holiness, purity, and truth
- In God, there is no darkness at all
- Believers are called to walk in the light and examine their lives for sin
- The blood of Jesus purifies us from all sin
- Christians are to be the light of the world, reflecting God's nature
- Surrendering fully to God is necessary to live as light

### **Scripture References:**

- 1 John 1:5-7
- Matthew 5:14
- Ephesians 5:8

### **Stories:**

- New York City blackout of 1977, where a single candle drew people together in darkness
- Personal testimony of the pastor's transformation from gang life and drug cultivation to following Christ
- Account of persecuted Christians in Nigeria continuing to worship despite violence and church burnings