Series: Light of the World Passage: John 8:12-19 Sunday: December 31, 2023

John 8:12-19 (ESV)

I Am the Light of the World

¹² Again Jesus spoke to them, saying, "I am the light of the world. Whoever follows me will not walk in darkness, but will have the light of life." ¹³ So the Pharisees said to him, "You are bearing witness about yourself; your testimony is not true." ¹⁴ Jesus answered, "Even if I do bear witness about myself, my testimony is true, for I know where I came from and where I am going, but you do not know where I come from or where I am going. ¹⁵ You judge according to the flesh; I judge no one. ¹⁶ Yet even if I do judge, my judgment is true, for it is not I alone who judge, but I and the Father who sent me. ¹⁷ In your Law it is written that the testimony of two people is true. ¹⁸I am the one who bears witness about myself, and the Father who sent me bears witness about me." ¹⁹ They said to him therefore, "Where is your Father?" Jesus answered, "You know neither me nor my Father. If you knew me, you would know my Father also."

| 1. | What was Jesus claiming when he said, "I am the light of the world"? |
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| 2. | How do you think Jesus' audience understood the phrase "I am the light of the world"? What confusion might they have experienced? What clarity would they have gained? |
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| 3 | What are the two promises Jesus makes to those who follow Him in verse 12? How do you |
| 0. | understand light of life and darkness? |



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| 4. | Why was Jesus, as the light of the world, such a treat to the Jewish leaders? |
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| 5. | Jesus was accused of bearing witness about himself. How does the Old Testament bear witness about Jesus being the Light of the World (Isaiah 9:2, Psalm 27:1, and Malachi 4:2). |
| 6. | How will you walk in the light of life this week? |
| 7. | How has this passage "enlightened" you to Jesus' light? |



