



LEADER'S NOTES

Light of the World

John 8:12

QUESTION 1 - This week we are focusing our study of Following Jesus on John 8:12. Question one allows your group to discuss this verse.

QUESTION 2 discusses the importance and meaning of the phrase "I am the light of the world". It then gives your group members the opportunity to discuss how Jesus has brought light and understanding into their lives.

QUESTIONS 3 & 4 deal with the phrase in the middle of **John 8:12 Whoever follows me will never walk in darkness.**

It then outlines how the Bible defines darkness. This allows for storytelling, asking when your group members faced a dark season in their lives. Lastly, it goes deeper into the verse, eventually stating "Jesus is saying, "if you follow me, you have the power to overcome the darkness." Don't allow yourself to walk in darkness because you have Jesus who is the light of life. The question comes down to How do you think those who follow Jesus personally overcome the darkness that attempts to affect their lives? Answers could include ideas like "being involved with other believers in community group so that they have the prayers and support they need," and "they can personally cry out to Jesus receiving his love and support."

QUESTION 5 deals with Matthew 5:14 and our call to be the light of the world. This question focuses your group on how they are intentionally shining the light of Christ to the world. This question might also provide an opportunity to discuss your groups missional strategy.