



SERMON NOTES

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Scripture: John 1:4-9 (NAS)

Topic: "The Light of the World Is Jesus"

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| 4 | In Him was life, and the life was the Light of men. |
| 5 | The Light shines in the darkness, and the darkness did not comprehend it. |
| 6 | There came a man sent from God, whose name was John. |
| 7 | He came as a witness, to testify about the Light, so that all might believe through him. |
| 8 | He was not the Light, but he came to testify about the Light. |
| 9 | There was the true Light which, coming into the world, enlightens every man. |

I. WE LIVE IN A WORLD OF DARKNESS

- A. Adam's Sin Was The Commencement Of That Darkness
- B. It Is A Darkness Created By An Inability To See The Light
- C. All Men And Women Are Born With The Darkness
- D. It Is A Spiritual Blindness *Proverbs 2:13, 4:19*

II. THE CHARACTER OF LIGHT BRINGS

- A. Forgiveness
- B. Grace
- C. Hope
- D. Holiness
- E. Truth
- F. Joy
- G. Wisdom *John 8:12*

III. THE LIGHT BRINGS LIFE

- A. Previously John Speaks Of Christ (The Word) Being The Source Of Physical Life
- B. Here He Declares Jesus The Source Of Spiritual Life *Matt. 11:25-27*
- C. The Light Reveals The Knowledge Of God
- D. Light Unseen In The Darkness? Spiritual Blindness
- E. Depravity Shuts Out The Light *John 1:11*

IV. LIGHT BRINGS ILLUMINATION

- A. John The Baptist Came To Bear Witness To The Light
- B. The Light Counters False Teaching (False Light)
- C. To "Every Man" Three Interpretations
 - 1. General revelation
 - 2. All who hear the gospel
 - 3. All who receive the gospel* *II Corinthians 4:4-6; John 3:16-21*

CONCLUSION:

- A. If You Know The Light, Rejoice
- B. Proclaim The Light Of The Gospel
- C. Pray The Lord Would Shine His Light Into The Hearts Of Darkness