

# The Light of the World

**Items needed:** flashlight (old fashioned or cell phone)

**Bible truth:** Jesus is the Light of the World

**Bible verses:** John 8:12- *When Jesus spoke again to the people, he said, "I am the **light of the world**. Whoever follows me will never walk in darkness, but will have the light of life."*

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1. Teach: What gives the earth light in the daytime? (The sun.) What is the first thing you usually do when you walk into a room? (Turn on the light.) Why do some people sleep with a nightlight? (They don't like the dark.)

Did you know that in John 8:12 Jesus said that he is the light of the world? He said that the people who choose to follow him will never walk in darkness. Does that mean that Jesus' followers will never need to turn on a light again, or need sunshine? Not quite. Jesus went on to say that his followers would have the light of life that our souls need to live.

2. Do: Turn your flashlight on. Trace a trail around an area. Ask your learners to follow the trail that your light leaves.

3. Discuss: Jesus said that the people who follow him will never walk in the darkness. You just practiced walking in the light we can show off here. What do you think it means to walk in Jesus' light? What kinds of things would you do when you walked in Jesus' light? What kinds of things might Jesus ask you to do while you walk in his light?

*For older learners:* In Matthew 5:14 Jesus calls us the light of the world. If Jesus is the light of the world, and we are to be lights as well, what are some ways that Jesus has asked us to shine so that others might see him?

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