

## THAT YOU MAY KNOW

*Light of the World*  
John 8:12-20  
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"I am the light of the world. Whoever follows me will not walk in darkness, but will have the light of life." - John 8:12

### I. THE TREASURY TESTIMONY (Vss. 13-20)

- Once again, Jesus must give proofs regarding his identity (Vss. 13-14; John 5:30-47).
- Multiple witnesses were necessary in a proceeding under the Law, but that does not mean single witness testimony is intrinsically untrue (Vs.14).
- Jesus knows who he is. His accusers are left in the dark as to his identity (Vs. 14; John 7:25-31).
- As the incarnate Son, Jesus had come not to judge, but to save. That does not mean he cannot judge, or that he will not judge (Vs. 15; John 3:16-18, 5:22; Rev. 6:16).
- To know Jesus is to know God. The Father and the Son bear witness to Christ's work in the world (Vss. 18-19).
- The Jewish leaders wanted to arrest Jesus, but they did not, "because his hour had not yet come." God determines times and seasons (Vs. 20; Acts 17:24-28).

### II. I AM...THE LIGHT OF THE WORLD (Vs. 12)

- Jesus' second "I am" pronouncement coincides with the lamp-lighting ceremony in the temple.
- To know Jesus dispels "darkness," and allows in the light of life (Psalm 36, 119:105; 2 Cor. 4:4).

**KNOW:** If we walk in the light of Christ we will find that we see everything more clearly.

**DO:** Walk in the life-enhancing light of Christ.

#### Suggested Reading:

*The Grace and Truth Paradox* by Randy Alcorn (LifePoint Library #248.4)

*The Work of Christ: Contours of Christian Theology* by Robert Letham  
(Available in the LifePoint Library)

#### Questions/Discovery Points for Life Groups/Families

##### Please Read John 8:12-20

1. What is the overall theme of this passage?
2. Why are the Pharisees so concerned about Jesus' testimony? What claim has he made?
3. Where did Jesus come from? Where is he going? How does he know this?
4. Why does Jesus call the Law of Moses "your law," do you think? Isn't it God's law?
5. When Jesus said, "If you knew me, you would know my Father also," what was he claiming?
6. How has the light of Christ impacted your own life?
7. What application point(s) can you make from this passage?