

	I AM _____ - The Light of the World
 BIG IDEA	Jesus is the Light of the World who exposes our darkness, guides our path, and shines through us to others.
 ICE BREAKER	Have you ever experienced a time when you were in complete darkness and needed light to find your way (camping trip, power outage, etc.). Share about it!
 MAIN POINTS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Light is not merely electricity but fire—both beautiful and dangerous. ● Jesus declared "I am the Light of the World" during the Feast of Tabernacles when giant lampstands symbolized God's presence. ● Light exposes what's hidden not to humiliate us but to heal us. ● God doesn't give us enough light to see the five-year plan, just enough for the next step. ● When we encounter Jesus, we become light-bearers meant to shine His love to others.
 DISCUSS	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. How has Jesus' light provided both comfort and challenge in your spiritual journey? 2. Read John 3:19-21. Why do you think people sometimes prefer darkness to light? Have you ever experienced this tendency in your own life? 3. How does the idea that "Jesus doesn't expose you to humiliate you, but to heal you" impact how you view confession of sin? 4. Is there an area of your life in the shadows that needs to be brought into the light? 5. Read Psalm 119:105. What's the difference between wanting a floodlight for our entire future versus accepting a lamp for just our next step? 6. Is there a specific area in your life right now where you need to trust Jesus and take the next step, even without seeing the full plan? 7. What's the difference between shining God's light with judgment versus shining it with love? 8. What specific darkness in your life or community is God calling you to bring His light into?
 NEXT STEP	<p>This week, each morning when you turn on your first light of the day, ask yourself these three questions:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● God, what do you see in me? (Light Exposes) ● God, what do you want me to see? (Light Guides) ● God, what do you want others to see in me? (Light Shines)
 SCRIPTURE	<p>John 3:19-21 This is the verdict: Light has come into the world, but people loved darkness instead of light because their deeds were evil. Everyone who does evil hates the light, and will not come into the light for fear that their deeds will be exposed. But whoever lives by the truth comes into the light, so that it may be seen plainly that what they have done has been done in the sight of God.</p> <p>Psalm 119:105 Your word is a lamp for my feet, a light on my path.</p>
	

NEXT WEEK
SNEAK PEAK

Join us next week and invite a friend as continue the I AM series exploring who Jesus is!

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