

# BELPRES CHURCH

## Sermon Title: Light of the World

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**Scripture:** John 8:12 & Matthew 5:14-16

<sup>12</sup> 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."

<sup>14</sup> "You are the light of the world. A town built on a hill cannot be hidden. <sup>15</sup> Neither do people light a lamp and put it under a bowl. Instead they put it on its stand, and it gives light to everyone in the house. <sup>16</sup> In the same way, let your light shine before others, that they may see your good deeds and glorify your Father in heaven.

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**Discussion Questions:** Read John 8:12 & Matthew 5:14-16

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### Opening Questions:

- Icebreaker: What is something you are curious about and want to learn more about?
- Looking back, were you able to apply any of the things we talked about last time to your life this week? What did you do? How did it go?

**Scripture Reflection Questions** -- Read this week's scripture together and discuss the following:

- What do we learn about God (e.g., traits, personality, what matters, priorities) in this passage and sermon?
- What do we learn about people, and ourselves in particular, this week?

**Sermon Reflection Questions** – Reflecting on this week's sermon, discuss the following:

- Jesus gives himself the name Light of the World and also names us as the Light of the World – discuss the significance of how we share in this name with Jesus.
- What does it mean to you that Jesus' light is inside of you? How do you shine Jesus' light? Explain.

**Closing Question and Application:**

- Given what we've discussed together today, how might God want you apply these learnings to your life or in the life of your community this next week?
- Who might you share this with?