

BIG TRUTH: JESUS IS THE LIGHT OF THE WORLD

John 9:5; 1:4-5

BIBLE VERSE: JOHN 8:12

"Again Jesus spoke to them, saying, 'I am the light of the world, Whoever follows me will not walk in darkness, but will have the light of life.'"

BIG IDEAS

- We live in spiritual darkness.
- Jesus alone illuminates the path to life.
- To walk in the light we must follow Jesus.

BIBLE PASSAGE: JOHN 8:12-19; 3:19-21

TRANSFORM: LIVING FOR JESUS

In High School, the Transform Year is an exploration of what it looks like to have transformed influence as we seek to live for a Kingdom that is greater than our own. First, we recognize that we will never be transformed if we are not Living for Jesus. To do this, we must first know who Jesus is by looking at who He says He is (John 8:58), and then look at what the Bible says about how in Him, we live by faith (James 1:6). Next, we recognize that to have transformed influence means that we must live as disciples in pursuit of Christ and His Kingdom over ourselves and our own kingdoms.

SERIES AIMS



Every student should know...

- The 8 different "I AM" statements that Jesus uses in the gospel of John.
- We will always be dissatisfied when we search for joy and life apart from Jesus.
- The value and worth of our lives is found in Jesus alone



Every student should feel...

- Awe that God would make a way for our relationship with Him through Jesus.
- Convicted of the lies that they are tempted to believe about Jesus.
- Responsible to use their influence for Jesus alone.



Every student should strive to...

- Read the entire gospel of John.
- Memorize the Bible verse each week.
- Practice sharing the truth about who Jesus is using the 'I Am' statements from Scripture



Every student should want to...

- Grow in their understanding of who Jesus is.
- Abide in Christ deeper than they ever have before.
- Be known for how they point people to Jesus with their lives

FAMILY WORKOUT:

This week we will consider how to discuss with our son or daughter that Jesus is the light of the world. We will pray with them to grow in their knowledge of Him as the light of the world and we will lead them to practice living in the light.



Read John 8:12-19 and answer these questions to help you discuss this passage with your son or daughter:

- What is significant about Jesus' discussion with the Pharisees? Why were they questioning His identity?
- What does the phrase "light of life" mean? What does it mean that Jesus is the light of the world?

Read and meditate on John 3:19-21 this week. Use these questions to guide your meditation:

- How can you discuss with your son or daughter the truth that the world loves the darkness? How can you point out to your son or daughter the ways the world loves the darkness?
- How can you help your son or daughter understand that in order to know the Father we must know the Son?



Spend time praying with your son or daughter this week.

- As you pray, model asking the Holy Spirit to guide you to a greater understanding of Jesus as the light of the world.
- Pray with your student this week. Ask the Holy Spirit to give them opportunities to share the truth that Jesus is the light of the world with their lost friends.



Discuss with your son or daughter some ways that they still love the darkness of the world.

- Discuss some ways that you see them resisting the darkness of the world. Talk through some ways that you turn to God and resist the temptation to sin in order to help them do the same.
- Brainstorm with your student some ways that he or she can share the gospel with their lost friends this week. Help them practice telling others that Jesus is the light of the world in order to share the gospel with their friends.