



*THE* *Light* *HAS COME*

**SMALL GROUP QUESTIONS**



## **Week 1**

**Text:** John 1:1–5

**Topic:** Preexistence, Sovereignty, Redemption, Light vs. Darkness

**Big Idea of the Message:** Before the creation of the world, the Father's good plan for rescuing his children was to send Jesus to earth.

**Application Point:** We can be victorious over our own darkness by receiving Jesus as the Word of God for ourselves.

### **Discussion Questions:**

1. What is one thing that stood out to you from this week's message?
2. What does this passage tell us about God's character?
3. Why do you think John's imagery of light and dark is important?
4. How does knowing God planned the first Christmas before he even created the world, before the fall of man and sin entered the world, affect you?
5. How have you experienced the Light of the World, Jesus, entering into your life and bringing victory over the darkness?
6. How can I pray for you?



## **Week 2**

**Text:** John 1:9–13; Isaiah 53:1–11

**Topic:** Rejection, Prophecy, Great Exchange

**Big Idea of the Message:** Jesus was rejected by men so we could be accepted by God.

**Application Point:** We can walk in the light of new life and become children of God.

### **Discussion Questions:**

1. What is one thing that stood out to you from this week's message?
2. What do these passages tell us about Jesus?
3. Why do you think God foretold so many details about Jesus before he was born?
4. What would you say to someone who doesn't know for sure if he or she is a child of God?
5. In your own life, what has been the main difference between when you are walking as a child of God and when you were walking in darkness?
6. How can I pray for you?



### **Week 3**

**Text:** John 1:14; Luke 2:4–20

**Topic:** Emmanuel, Incarnation

**Big Idea of the Message:** God did the unthinkable by squeezing himself into a human body, especially that of a tiny baby, but his great love and perfect plan made the impossible possible.

**Application Point:** We can know God and see his glory by knowing Jesus as God's only Son.

### **Discussion Questions:**

1. What is one thing that stood out to you from this week's message?
2. In Luke's story, what strikes you as significant in the angels' announcement?
3. Why is it so offensive for some to think of God becoming a human baby?
4. How is Jesus's incarnation, becoming God in human form, an essential part of Christian faith?
5. How has knowing God as Emmanuel, God *with* us, made an impact in your daily life?
6. How can I pray for you?



#### **Week 4**

**Text:** John 1:15–18; Hebrews 3:1–11

**Topic:** Grace, Law, Rest

**Big Idea of the Message:** Jesus brought a new and better covenant of grace and truth.

**Application Point:** The only way to enter God's rest is by receiving grace as a gift through faith in Jesus Christ.

#### **Discussion Questions:**

1. What is one thing that stood out to you from this week's message?
2. What do both of these passages say about Moses and Jesus?
3. How does the old covenant set up God's perfect plan for the new covenant?
4. What does religious work look like to you? How does it sneak into believers' lives?
5. Have you entered into the rest of trusting Jesus? How do you know?
6. How can I pray for you?