I Am the Light of the world

John 8:12

A teachable moment

- Jesus spoke these words in the Temple treasury
- He was standing in front of the 2 massive golden lampstands
- This was a place of joy and celebration
- The light from these lampstands was representative of the pillar of fire that the people of Israel followed in the desert

Darkness is death, ignorance and sin

²⁰ For everyone who does wicked things hates the light and does not come to the light, lest his works should be exposed.

John 3:20 (ESV)

- If you have to hide it, it's probably sin
- Light always exposes sin, not because it is judgemental, but because it reveals darkness

Light is life, knowledge and holiness

⁶ If we say we have fellowship with him while we walk in darkness, we lie and do not practice the truth.

1 John 1:6 (ESV)

- We must confess our sins
- We can extend grace towards others because we remember how much we have been forgiven

The Light of the Spirit of Jesus

⁴ In him was life, and the life was the light of men. ⁵ The light shines in the darkness, and the darkness has not overcome it.

John 1:4-5 (ESV)

- In Jesus there is the life of the Holy Spirit.
- It is He who reveals the Way for people.
- The Holy Spirit casts out darkness.
- He has never and will never be defeated.

Him we proclaim.

Colossians 1:28a