

Jesus Our Direction (John 8:12-30)
The Child Who Changed the World Forever – Part 2
Life Church St. Louis – December 8, 2013
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John 1:4-5 (NIV) In him was life, and that life was the light of men. The light shines in the darkness, but the darkness has not understood it.

John 8:12 (NIV) 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."

Objection 1. Why should I _____ in Jesus?

John 8:13 (NIV) The Pharisees challenged him, "Here you are, appearing as your own witness; your testimony is not valid."

1A. Jesus came from _____

John 8:14 (NIV) Jesus answered, "Even if I testify on my own behalf, my testimony is valid, for I know where I came from and where I am going. But you have no idea where I come from or where I am going."

1B. God the Father _____ Jesus

John 8:18 (NIV) I am one who testifies for myself; my other witness is the Father, who sent me."

Objection 2. Where did Jesus come _____?

John 8:19a (NIV) Then they asked him, "Where is your father?"

2A. Jesus and His Father are _____

John 8:19b (NIV) "You do not know me or my Father," Jesus replied. "If you knew me, you would know my Father also."

2B. You must believe Jesus is _____ to be saved

John 8:24 (NIV) I told you that you would die in your sins; if you do not believe that I am [the one I claim to be], you will indeed die in your sins."

Objection 3. _____ is Jesus?

John 8:25 (NIV) "Who are you?" they asked. "Just what I have been claiming all along," Jesus replied.

3A. Jesus' _____ revealed His deity

John 8:28 (NIV) So Jesus said, "When you have lifted up the Son of Man, then you will know that I am [the one I claim to be] and that I do nothing on my own but speak just what the Father has taught me."

3B. Jesus always _____ the Father

John 8:29 (NIV) The one who sent me is with me; he has not left me alone, for I always do what pleases him."

3C. You must put your _____ in Jesus

John 8:30 (NIV) Even as he spoke, many put their faith in him."

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Intro. How has the darkness not understood the light of Jesus (John 1:4-5)?

What did Jesus mean when He claimed to be the light of the world (John 8:12)?

In what ways are believers to also be lights in the world?

1A. How do people today challenge Jesus' words as the Pharisees did (John 8:13)?

1B. Why do Jesus' origin and destination give validity to His claims (John 8:14)?

1C. How did God the Father bear witness to Jesus (John 8:16-18)?

1D. How can you let more of Jesus' light shine into your life?

2A. What do you think was behind the Pharisee's question "Where is your father?" (John 8:19a)?

2B. What was Jesus saying about the Pharisees and Himself (John 8:19b)?

2C. Why must a person believe that Jesus is God in order to be saved (John 8:23-24)?

2D. In what ways does the light of Christ expose the sin in the darkness? What are the different reactions of people in darkness to the light?

3A. Why is the question "Who is Jesus?" a fundamental question of life (John 8:25)?

3B. Explain how the "lifting up of Jesus" revealed His deity (John 8:28).

3C. How is Jesus' relationship with the Father an example for us to follow (John 8:29)?

3D. How would you explain to an unbeliever who didn't know the Bible what it means to put their faith in Jesus (John 8:30)?

3E. What are some tangible ways that you can let your light shine for Jesus this Christmas season?