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Life Group Study - I AM the light of the world By Maria Humberstone

Light, we cannot capture it, hold it or contain it. It's pure and radiant and is beyond our grasp but it surrounds us, guides us, it is constant, unchanging, it holds truth and dispels all darkness. This is Jesus the great I AM - the light of the world.

Read John 8:12

- What does Jesus state and promise us?
- Describe how his light has changed your life.
- What are the differences of walking in darkness and light?

Jesus is the true light, and who gives his light to all who believe.

Read Ephesians 5:8-14

Our task is to leave the light on.

- What does Paul describe as our mission now we are filled with light?
- What is the fruit of his light working in us?
- What does Paul advise us to do to keep the light lit within us?

Jesus said we are the light of the world, his light we need to shine in this dark world

Read Matthew 5:14-16

- Discuss ways we hide our light from others.
- What can make us afraid of offending the darkness?
- What impact would it have in people's lives if we shone our light brighter?

We can't afford to become complacent in life and fall asleep to the power that God has placed within us for his purpose.

Being light is loving people. It's being intentional and courageous with an expectance to be used by God to shine his light. His light in us is a place where people find grace to face the truth and be transformed by the light.

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Read Psalm 27:1

- Discuss the verse, how can we have unwavering confidence in God.
- Encourage on another how we can overcome darkness and walk in light.

Weird isn't it? We ask the Holy Spirit to come and before you know it he turns it back on us! We become the answer to our prayers, we speak to God, we get close to God and he says, 'Come holy people'. I'm going to take you out into a world that needs you. Because YOU are the carriers of me, and you are the light in the darkness and you are the ones who are called to shine and you are the ones who are blessed to bless others. I want to take you out in to a world that needs you.'

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