

# Blinded?

### Let Me Illuminate You

Lesson 6 • John 8:12-20

What's in a Name?
Everything We Will Ever Need When It's the Name of the "I Am" God!

## We Need to Cry Out to Jesus: "TURN ME ON! ILLUMINATE ME!"

#### We Are Blinded by the Darkness...

- **△ AROUND** us due to the **disobedience of the world system**. John 3:18-21
- WITHIN us due to the depravity of our sin. Ephesians 4:17-19; 5:8; 1John 2:11
- OVER us due to the deception of Satan. Ephesians 6:12

And even if our gospel is veiled, it is veiled to those who are perishing. In their case the god of this world has **BLINDED** the minds of the unbelievers, to keep them from **SEEING** the light of the gospel of the glory of Christ, who is the image of God. 2Corinthians 4:3-4

Then Jesus spoke to them again, saying, "I am the light of the world. He who follows Me shall not walk in darkness, but have the light of life." John 8:12

We must work the works of Him who sent Me while it is day; night is coming, when no one can work. As long as I am in the world, I am the light of the world." John 9:4-5

Walk while you have the light, lest darkness overtake you; he who walks in darkness does not know where he is going. While you have the light, believe in the light, that you may become sons of light." These things Jesus spoke, and departed, and was hidden from them. John 12:35-36

# I AM the Light of the World: Let Me Illuminate Your Darkness!

John 8:12-20

1. The CONNECTION of the Light to the Feast of Tabernacles John 7:37-39; 8:12, 20

Where was statement made? In the Temple TREASURY. (8:20)

When was statement made? (7:37)

- On the last day of or the first day after the great TRADITIONS.

The Water-POURING Tradition John 7:37-39

The Light-BEARING Tradition John 8:12

## 2. The CLAIM of the Light of the World. John 8:12a

□ I Am the Light in the <u>DARKNESS</u> of your wilderness!

- 1) I am the Light of God's **PRESENCE** in you, which is greater than the darkness within you. *Exodus* 13:21-22; 14:19-20
- 2) I am the Light of God's **PROTECTION** for you from the darkness above you. *Exodus* 14:19-20, *Romans* 13:12-14
- 3) I am the Light of God's <u>GUIDANCE</u> through the darkness around you. Exodus 13:21-22; Numbers 9:17-23
- ⇒ I Am the Light for the whole WORLD!
  - 1) Israel had forgotten the purpose of **POSSESSING** the Light!
  - 2) Israel had forgotten the purpose of the **COMING** the Light! *Isaiah 42:6-8; 49:6; 59:21-5; Luke 2:32; Matthew 4:12-16; Acts 13:47; 26:23*

3. The CHALLENGE of the Light in the Darkness John 8:12b-20

How Do I Know If I Truly Possess the Light of Life?

- ⇒ Have you placed your **FAITH** in the Light for our salvation? *John* 8:12; 12:46
- Are you <u>FOLLOWING</u> the Light in this present darkness?
  - 1) Shine the Light of His WORD with your obedience. Psalm 119:105-106
  - 2) Shine the Light of His WORKS with your character. Matt 5:14-16; Eph 5:8-13; John 3:19-21
  - 3) Shine the Light as His WITNESS with your boldness. John 1:7-9; 5:33, 35; Matthew 5:14-15



"For what we proclaim is not ourselves, but Jesus Christ as Lord, with ourselves as your servants for Jesus' sake. For God, who said, "Let light shine out of darkness," has shone in our hearts to give the light of the knowledge of the glory of God in the face of Jesus Christ." 2Corinthians 4:5-6

# Jesus Is the Light of the World; Let Him Illuminate You!

"I am the light of the world. He who follows Me shall not walk in darkness, but have the light of life."