### Welcome

We're glad you've joined us this morning! Feel free to check things out and determine whether we might be a good match for you. We're here to help at your invitation—you set the pace.

When you're ready for the next step, consider checking out an additional Sunday activity like Bible Fellowships or Community Groups, or a mid-week study that interests you. There are many great ways to connect with others in our church family each semester as you grow in your relationship with Jesus. Pick up a *Guide to Grace Church* as you leave for more details!

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...you can give online at our website? Just click "Member Access" in the top left, then "Give Online." You can also schedule a recurring gift under "Scheduled Giving."

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## **Coming Soon**





If you would like to dedicate your child (age 18 months or younger) during worship on May 14, please contact Valerie Rhine by May 8 at valerie@gracechurch.com.



While many of our spring studies and activities are winding down during the month of May, we're preparing a number of new opportunities for the summer months ahead!

Watch for updated information about these new programs, coming soon to our website and the summer edition of the *Guide to Grace Church*.

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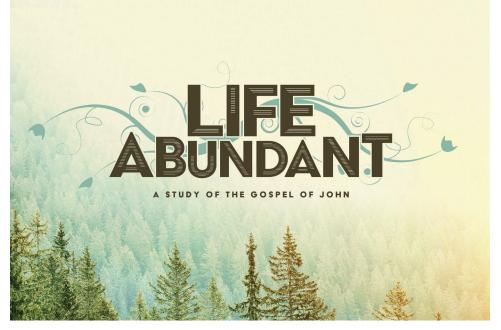
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Today we're continuing our study of the Gospel of John and its unique perspective on the person and character of Jesus Christ. Together we'll develop a better understanding of how Jesus came to give us eternal life—and how to experience that life abundantly.

### **News and Family Matters**

#### Baptisms

Last Sunday, we celebrated the following believers' public profession of faith through baptism. Please join us as we continue to pray for them.

Emma Archer	Ben Austin	Kendall Cope	Carlyn Lackey	Lauren Pond
Graham Archer	Haley Carnes	Mark Cuba	Jude Moore	Adam Roberts

#### **Family Matters**

Please pray for the family of Beverly and Danny Mummert as they grieve the loss of his father.

## This Week

#### Churchwide

Worship Services Sunday, 9:00-10:15 AM or 10:30-11:45 AM

**Bible Fellowships** Sunday, 9:00-10:15 AM or 10:30-11:45 AM

#### **Biblical & Topical Studies**

Quest Wednesday, 6:30-8:00 PM in room 204 &

Samson Society Thursday, 7:00-8:30 PM in the Library

Women's Community Group

Men

### Women

Sunday, 5:30-7:30 PM at 1615 Tilden St

8 : Childcare available by reservation

#### **College & Career**

College LateNight Tuesday, 8:00–9:30 PM at the G.Y.M.

### **High School**

The A.R.C. Tuesday, 6:30-7:30 PM at Lamar Baptist Church

Youth Wednesday, 6:30-8:00 PM at the G.Y.M.

#### **Middle School**

Youth Wednesday, 6:30-8:00 PM at the G.Y.M.

### **This Morning**

Lesson 21: Jesus as the Light of the World, Part One—John 8:1–30 Tom Rodgers, Lead Pastor

- His manifestation as the Light of the World: The Lord Jesus Christ provided spiritual Ι. direction for a woman ensnared in adultery by applying the true meaning of the Law— John 8:1–11.
  - A. The setting: The Savior began teaching in the Court of Women during the Feast of Tabernacles—John 8:1-2.
  - The situation: The Jewish leaders tried to trap Jesus by asking Him how He intended Β. to implement the Law's directive against a woman ensnared in adultery—John 8:3-6a.
  - **C.** The appeal: The Son of God symbolically exhibited His authorship of the Law by requesting qualified witnesses to serve as executioners—John 8:6b-8.
  - D. The recusal: The entire pool of potential executioners became convicted of their sins and slowly recused themselves, which left the Savior and the immoral woman alone in the Court of Women-John 8:9.
  - E. The verdict: Jesus affirmed the Law's validity, but applied it with grace, which invalidated her execution—John 8:10-11.
- II. His declaration as the Light of the World: The Son of God announced that He was the Light of the World Who gives life and provides spiritual direction in a world of darkness (cp. John 1:4; Exodus 3:2,14; 13:21)—John 8:12.
- III. His validation as the Light of the World: Christ's own testimony, in collaboration with the Father's, validated His claim of being the Light of the World according to Torah-John 8:13-20.
  - A. Through His own testimony: The Son of God's own testimony about His claim was 100% reliable, because His words were in perfect harmony with His heavenly Father-John 8:13–16.
  - Β. Through His Father's testimony: The Lord explained that His heavenly Father corroborated His testimony that He was the Light of the World, thereby fulfilling the requirements of the Mosaic Law—John 8:17-20.
- IV. His departure as the Light of the World: The Savior announced His upcoming departure to His heavenly home, which was inaccessible to His opponents unless they believed in Him as the great "I AM"—John 8:21-24.
- V. His identity as the great "I AM": Jesus disclosed that He was the great "I AM" of the Hebrew Scriptures—John 8:25-27.
- VI. The validation of His claim to be the great "I AM": The Savior indicated that His death and resurrection would validate His claim to be the Light of the World and the great "I AM"-John 8:28-30.

### Notes