



DISCUSSION GUIDE

START:

- The Christmas season is supposed to be a time of great joy and fun. However, it's often a time of stress and being busy. This stress often shows up in shopping for gifts. Do you plan ahead for buying Christmas presents? Or are you a last minute - Christmas Eve- shopper? Is it joy and fun, stressful, or maybe a little of both? Why?

THINK:

- Read John 1:4-5. Jesus is the light that shines in the darkness. Think of your holiday season right now, today, in 2017. What darkness is surrounding you right now?
- In this week's message, Chris says that "Christmas is not the most wonderful time of the year because of what is happening to us-around us, but because of what HAPPENED." What does this mean to you? How can its meaning help you see the light of Jesus a little more clearly this holiday season?

READ:

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

John 1: 4-5

PRAY:

- This week, ask God to show you the light that is Jesus. Ask Him to help you become closer w. Jesus, become re-acquainted with Jesus, or even meet Him for the 1st time.

ACT:

- Think about what you could do to **see** the light of Jesus, even just a little bit, this Christmas season. How can this group of people help you?
- Next, think about what you could do to **be** the light of Jesus, even a little bit, this Christmas season. How can this group of people help you do that?



1. READ IT

engage the discussion guide on your own

2. GROUP IT

invite friends to join you

3. GROW IT

meet regularly with others

4. LEAD IT

connect with your campus pastor to learn about ADVANCE leadership at TCC