

JESUS, THE LIGHT OF THE WORLD

John 7:53–8:30

Key Verse: 8:12

1. Where was Jesus that night, and what was he doing at dawn (1–2)? What does this show us about him and about these people? What did the religious leaders do and say, and what does this reveal about them (3–6a)? What did Jesus do and say, and why (6b–8)? How did everyone respond, and why (9)?
2. What did Jesus say to the woman, and how is this full of both grace and truth (10–11)? What do his words mean to us personally, and how do they show us how to help others?
3. Read verse 12. In light of the previous story, what does it mean that Jesus is the light of the world? What does it mean to either follow him or walk in darkness? To “have the light of life”? How can we follow him?
4. How did the Pharisees challenge Jesus (13)? What did he say to them first, and why is this important (14)? What did he say next (15)? What does it mean that he stands with the Father, and that the Father is his witness (16–18)? What did they ask, and what did this imply (19a)? What did Jesus say, and how did they respond (19b–20)?
5. What did Jesus say to them again (21; cf. 7:34)? What did they ask (22)? What did Jesus say (23–24)? What does it mean to “die in your sins”? What else did Jesus say to them, and what did he mean (25–29)?