



More than Words

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Focus We need light to navigate through darkness, just as we need God’s Word to navigate through life. God’s light keeps us from stumbling. When we are in a dark place, God’s Word dispels the darkness and brings us back into the light.

Fun Have you ever gone camping? What was your favorite part of the experience?

Review Key Scriptures: Luke 11 & 15

1. Light dispels darkness.

God’s light helps us walk in a dark world. When our eyes wander into bad places, we open the door to darkness. However, when our eyes focus on goodness, our bodies are filled with His light.

2. Light recovers lost things.

Things are discovered and unveiled when light penetrates the darkness. We can ask God for the light of revelation when we become lost.

3. Light shows the way.

Light enables us to know which direction or steps to take. When we need to hear from God, His Word tells us to *praise, pray, and proclaim* (Psalm 100:4; Philippians 4:6).

Group Dynamics Idea When we have a problem, Pastor Robert suggests that we find a Bible story similar to our situation. Ask your members which stories they relate to, then give them the opportunity to share this with the group.

Discuss

1. Read Psalm 119:105. Share a recent experience from your life when God directed your path.

2. Psalm 18:28 reads, “For You will light my lamp; the Lord my God will enlighten my darkness.” Has God ever touched your life in this way? How has your experience brought light to someone else going through a similar circumstance?
3. Name ways darkness can infiltrate our thoughts and lives. List ways light can transform our thoughts and lives (Luke 11:33–36).
4. Explain Pastor Robert’s statement, “We are in a war with darkness, but God is not.”
5. Luke 15:8–10 speaks about a woman who lost, then found her coin. Have you ever lost something that God returned? (Examples: a relationship, an investment, health, or other loss.) If you feel comfortable doing so, please share how God turned this problem around.
6. Discuss how the three “Ps” (*praise, prayer, and proclamation*) work to get a word from God for you (Psalm 100:4; Philippians 4:6).

Take Home As we conclude, remember the following:

- God’s Word lights my path.
- His light reveals what is lost.
- God’s light directs my steps.

Prayer Dear God, please help me by bringing Your light into my situation. I need understanding and direction. I cannot solve this problem by myself. In Jesus’ name, Amen.

New Leader Tip Gateway Church has many ways to serve the Lord depending on one’s time, gifts, or talents. Familiarize yourself with opportunities as they arise, then make this information available to your group.