

The Light

*John 8:12-20, 8:58, 6:35, 7:37, 6:48, 8:12;
Genesis 1:3; Psalm 27:1; Isaiah 60:19; Micah 7:8*

Jesus responds to the challenge by the Pharisees.

John 8:13-20; Matthew 3:17; John 3:19, 8:12

Following Jesus

John 8:12

Considerations for the week

Where is there spiritual resistance in our society — when people prefer argument, distraction, or technicalities over encountering Christ?

In saying, “I am the light of the world” (v. 12), Jesus uses the divine name — I Am — spoken to Moses. What does this reveal about His identity, authority, and mission?

“I Am.” How does this claim confront modern attempts to reduce Jesus to a mere moral teacher or spiritual guide?

Jesus contrasted His own heavenly origin with the Pharisees’ human standards. (v. 14+) Consider what it means to evaluate truth by heaven’s witness rather than human reasoning, cultural norms, or personal preference.

Describe times when have you experienced Christ “lighting” you — awakening, convicting, illuminating, empowering you.

Identify a “dark corner” of your relationships or workplace or community that needs to see the reflected light of Christ through you. Choose now to act on this.

Please use these considerations for personal reflection, small group discussions, and with friends and family.



“I am the light of the world. Whoever follows me will never walk in darkness, but will have the light of life.”

— John 8:12, NIV

Scripture read today during worship:

Ephesians 5:8-10

Prayer today

Members will be praying for us during the service today and also during the week. Please email us at prayer@rtbchurch.org to let us know how we may pray for you.

Today's order of service

Prelude

No One Ever Cared For Me Like Jesus
O Jesus, I Have Promised

Call to worship

Hymn 508, *I Will Sing the Wondrous Story*

Hymn, *I Am Resolved*

The ordinance of the Lord's Supper

Hymn, *Surrender*

Hymn, *Holy Forever*

Hymn 195, *Nothing But the Blood*

Offertory

Reading and prayer

Message

Hymn of response, *Let Others See Jesus in You*

Benediction

Postlude, *To God Be the Glory*

Weekly events

Today after the benediction, reception for our pianist in our fellowship hall

Mom's Day Out, Tuesday and Friday, 9am – 2pm
Reservations required.

Women's Bible study, Tues. at 10 am or Thurs. at 7 pm

Wednesday

Kids' Music Class, 5-6 pm

Dinner, 5:30-6:30 pm. Menu: beef taco salad, fruit, cheesecake, ice cream

Prayer, 6:30 pm in the parlor

BLAST! Children's Bible study and fun, 6:00 pm

Ladies' international Bible class (Zoom), 6:45 pm

Choir rehearsal, 7:45 pm

Joy Program, Thursday, 9am-noon, conversational English classes, Bible study, crafts, and handbells

Endurance men's Bible study, Thursday at 6pm
Focus: college-aged / young adult men

Young internationals Bible study, Saturday at 7 pm

Men's Bible study, every-other Saturday at 8 am
Meets this week, September 17

Sunday morning

Adult Bible study, 9:30 am

Worship, 10:45 am

Children's Church at sermon time

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<https://rtbc.faith>

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Reception Our church pianist is retiring after forty-four faithful years. There will be a reception honoring his service today, after morning worship.

The church office has information on events.

Phone: 713.559.6875 Email: office@rtbchurch.org
The office is open Tuesday - Friday, 9am-3pm

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