I Am the Light of the World!
I Am, Pt. 3
John 8:12
April 23, 2023

John 8:12, When Jesus spoke again to the people, he said, "I am the light of the world. Whoever follows me will never walk in darkness, but will have the light of life."

John 8:10, Jesus straightened up and asked her, "Woman, where are they? Has no one condemned you?" 11 "No one, sir," she said. "Then neither do I condemn you," Jesus declared. "Go now and leave your life of sin."

Exodus 13:21, By day the LORD went ahead of them in a pillar of cloud to guide them on their way and by night in a pillar of fire to give them <u>light</u>, so that they could travel by day or night.

"I Am the Light of the World" Reminds Us:

1. We Live in a World Filled With **DARKNESS**

<u>Isaiah 5:20</u>, Woe to those who call evil good and good evil, who put darkness for light and light for darkness, who put bitter for sweet and sweet for bitter.

2. Jesus Is the Light of the WORLD

<u>John 1:4,</u> In him was life, and that life was the <u>light of all</u> mankind. **5** The light shines in the darkness, and the darkness has not overcome it.

3. Salvation Is Found in <u>JESUS</u>

<u>Psalm 27:1, The LORD is my light and my salvation</u>—whom shall I fear? The LORD is the stronghold of my life—of whom shall I be afraid?

4. The Key Is Being a True FOLLOWER

<u>John 8:12</u>, ...Whoever <u>follows</u> me will never walk in darkness, but will have the light of life."

<u>John 8:31</u>, To the Jews who had believed him, Jesus said, "<u>If</u> you hold to my teaching, you are really my disciples. <u>32</u> <u>Then</u> you will know the truth, and the truth will set you free."

What Does a True Follower of Jesus Look Like?

• A True Follower Is Committed to His WORD

<u>Psalm 119:105</u>, Your word is a lamp for my feet, <u>a</u> <u>light on my path</u>.

<u>Psalm 119:130</u>, The unfolding of your words gives light; it gives understanding to the simple.

• A True Follower Is Filled With GOOD DEEDS

<u>Matthew 5:16</u>, In the same way, let your light shine before others, that <u>they may see your good</u> <u>deeds</u> and glorify your Father in heaven.

• A True Follower Is United With His CHURCH

1 John 1:7, But if we walk in the light, as he is in the light, we have <u>fellowship with one another</u>, and the blood of Jesus, his Son, purifies us from all sin.

1 John 2:19, They went out from us, but they did not really belong to us. For if they had belonged to us, they would have remained with us...

• A True Follower Walks in the LIGHT

<u>Psalm 18:28,</u> You, LORD, keep my lamp burning; <u>my</u> <u>God turns my darkness into light.</u>