


# KIDZ STUDY GUIDE

## DON'T HIDE YOUR LIGHT!

The world needs to see  
Jesus shining through you.

JESUS  
IS THE  
LIGHT!  
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A city that is set on a hill  
♥ cannot be hidden. ♥  
— MATTHEW 5:14 —

FOLLOW JESUS ♥ SHINE HIS LIGHT ♥ MAKE A DIFFERENCE

## Familiar Light, Forgotten Responsibility

*If you've heard this your whole life and you know it, then why aren't you doing it?*

Message from Justin Younger

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### OVERVIEW

This week, we learned that Jesus is the Light of the World. When we follow Jesus, His light lives in us, and we become lights that shine for Him.

Justin taught that God does not want us to simply know Bible stories and verses. He wants us to live what we know. God calls every believer to shine His light at home, at school, with friends, and everywhere they go.

We also learned that light and darkness do not belong together. Jesus wants every part of our lives to belong to Him. As we spend time with Jesus, His light shines through us and helps others see Him.

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### MEMORY VERSE

"You are the light of the world. A city that is set on a hill cannot be hidden."

— Matthew 5:14

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### BIG WORDS

- Light = Jesus living in us and shining through us
- Darkness = anything that is not following God's way
- Witness = someone who shows and tells others about Jesus
- Disciple = a person who follows Jesus
- Steward = someone trusted to care for something God gives them
- Intimacy with God = spending time with Jesus and growing close to Him

## **SECTION 1 — JESUS IS THE LIGHT**

### **BIG IDEA**

Jesus is the Light of the World, and His light lives in those who follow Him.

### **READ**

Matthew 5:13–16, John 8:12, Galatians 2:20

### **TALK ABOUT IT**

1. What does Jesus call His followers in Matthew 5:14?
2. What does Jesus want us to do with our light?
3. According to John 8:12, who is the Light of the World?
4. In Galatians 2:20, who lives in believers?
5. How can Jesus help us shine His light?

### **THINK ABOUT IT**

- How can I show Jesus' light at home this week?
- Is there a place where I need to obey Jesus more?
- What would happen if I remembered every day that Jesus lives in me?

### **Further Scripture Reading**

John 15:4–5, Philippians 2:15–16

## **SECTION 2 — WALK IN THE LIGHT**

### **BIG IDEA**

God wants His children to walk in the light and stay away from darkness.

### **READ**

1 John 1:5–7, John 12:44–46

### **TALK ABOUT IT**

1. What does 1 John 1:5 tell us about God?
2. Is there any darkness in God?
3. What happens when believers walk in the light?
4. Why did Jesus come into the world according to John 12:46?
5. Why is it important to follow Jesus every day?

## **THINK ABOUT IT**

- Are there choices I make that help me stay close to Jesus?
- Is there anything I need to stop doing because it does not honor God?
- How can I let Jesus help me walk in the light?

### **Further Scripture Reading**

Ephesians 5:8–10, Colossians 1:13–14

## **SECTION 3 — BE A WITNESS**

### **BIG IDEA**

Every believer can help others see Jesus through the way they live.

### **READ**

Acts 1:8, Matthew 5:14–16

### **TALK ABOUT IT**

1. What does Acts 1:8 say believers receive from the Holy Spirit?
2. What does God want believers to be?
3. Why can a city on a hill not be hidden?
4. What should people see when our light shines?
5. How can kids be witnesses for Jesus?

## **THINK ABOUT IT**

- What would my friends say is important to me?
- How can I show kindness and love like Jesus this week?
- Who in my life needs to see the light of Jesus?

### **Further Scripture Reading**

1 Peter 2:9, Colossians 4:5–6

## **SECTION 4 — SHINE AT HOME**

### **BIG IDEA**

God wants families to help one another follow Jesus.

## **READ**

Matthew 18:6, Matthew 5:16

## **TALK ABOUT IT**

1. How does Jesus feel about children who believe in Him?
2. Why is it important to help others follow Jesus?
3. What should people see in our lives according to Matthew 5:16?
4. How can parents and grandparents help children know Jesus?
5. How can children encourage their family to follow Jesus too?

## **THINK ABOUT IT**

- What am I teaching others by the way I act?
- If my younger brother, sister, or friend copied me, would it help them follow Jesus?
- How can I shine God's light in my home this week?

## **Further Scripture Reading**

Deuteronomy 6:6–7, Proverbs 22:6

# **SECTION 5 — KEEP YOUR LIGHT BURNING**

## **BIG IDEA**

God wants us to stay close to Him so our light keeps shining.

## **READ**

2 Timothy 3:1–5

## **TALK ABOUT IT**

1. What does Paul say people will be like in the last days?
2. Are there difficult times in the world today?
3. What does verse 5 say some people will pretend to have?
4. What is better: pretending to follow God or truly knowing Him?
5. How can we stay close to Jesus?

## **THINK ABOUT IT**

- Do I spend time talking to God and reading His Word?
- What helps me grow closer to Jesus?
- What is one thing I can do this week to keep my light shining?

## Further Scripture Reading

John 15:1–8, Matthew 25:1–13

## FINAL ENCOURAGEMENT

Jesus wants His light to shine through you.

You do not have to be a pastor, teacher, or grown-up to be a light for Jesus. Every believer can shine God's light by following Him, obeying His Word, and showing His love to others.

The world needs the light of Jesus. Your family needs the light of Jesus. Your friends need the light of Jesus.

Let your light shine!

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### ACTIVITY — SHINE YOUR LIGHT

Draw a picture of yourself shining the light of Jesus.  
Then write or draw three places where you can shine His light this week.