THE LIGHT OF LIFE  
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I. Matt 27:45-61
A. Do you ever feel like there is darkness over your land or do you ever feel buried in a hopeless, dead situation?

B. 3 way that Darkness can impact us:
   1. Uncertainty, confusion
   2. Fear
   3. Depression

II. Impact of light on darkness:
A. Genesis 1:1-4
   1. Without form - tôhûw - Waste, desolation, no distinct shape or form, worthless thing
   2. Void - bôhûw - Empty, undistinguishable ruin
   3. Darkness - châshak - A non-illuminated area, lack of light in a space
   4. Face - pâneh - On the top or over the surface of something
   5. Hovering - râchaph - To brood, flutter, move or shake

III. John 1:1-5
A. Shines - phainō - To emit light, illuminate, give or bring light, make known or visible.

B. Comprehend - katalambano:
   1. To seize, lay hold of, overcome (“The darkness does not gain control of it”)
   2. To perceive, attain, lay hold of with the mind (“The darkness is unreceptive and does not understand it”)
   3. To quench, extinguish, snuff out the light by stifling it. (“The darkness will never be able to eliminate it.”)
   4. Isaiah 9:2 (NKJV) 2 The people who walked in darkness Have seen a great light; Those who dwelt in the land of the shadow of death, Upon them a light has shined.
   5. John 8:12 (NKJV) 12 Then Jesus spoke to them again, saying, “I am the light of the world. He who follows Me shall not walk in darkness, but have the light of life.”
   6. Walk - pēripatēō - Live, conduct one’s life, behave, continue to advance

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IV. **John 11** - Lazarus - Take away the stone

V. **APPLICATION:**
   A. What areas of your life do you feel surrounded or buried in darkness?
   B. Will you take away the stone and let the light in?
   C. Can you open up the doors to those dead places in your life and allow Jesus to bring the light of life?

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