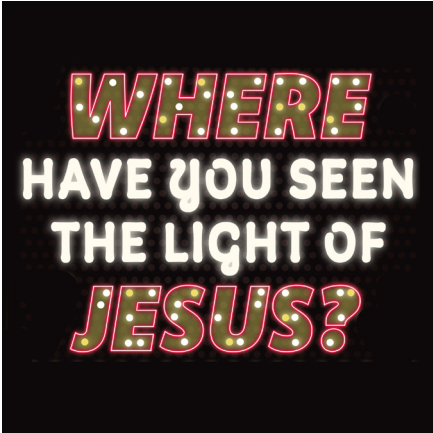


Spend some time thinking about the question below and journal your thoughts or share them with a parent.



Journal writing lines for the first page.



Day 1

After watching, write one thing that:

- 1. You liked: _____
- 2. You learned: _____
- 3. You'd like to know: _____

Day 2

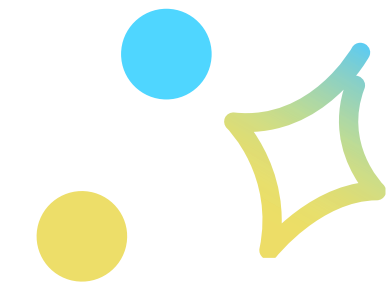
Read John 8:12

Read John 8:12 out loud, and as you do, come up with motions and actions you can do to illustrate the verse (such as turning on and off lights).

Before Jesus was born, many of the Israelites expected Him to arrive as a king. But Jesus arrived as a helpless baby and went on to be a humble carpenter. As he got older, he began to teach and perform miracles—shining God’s light in a different way than they expected, but shining nonetheless.

Jesus’ words that John recorded in John 8:12 angered the religious leaders, who expected the Savior of the world to follow the same rules and traditions that they did. But Jesus was telling the religious leaders—and everyone else—that He is indeed God’s Rescuer, sent to bring light to a dark world.

Once more, act out the words in John 8:12, this time thinking about how the words must have sounded to everyone who heard them.



Answers: from us to God, from God to us, from God to us, from God to us

Day 3

We have so much to be thankful for when it comes to Jesus and the light He brought to the world.

And one of the best ways we can express that gratitude is by shining that same light to everyone around us. Fill in the blank with a time it’s hard for you to have compassion. Then pray this prayer, thanking God and asking for help to show compassion.

Dear God, thank You for seeing the biggest need the world had—the need for a Savior—and sending Jesus to earth to die for our sins. That is the biggest act of compassion the world has ever seen! I want to follow Your example of compassion. Sometimes it’s really hard to do that, especially when _____. Please help me show compassion, even when it’s hard. And thank You for meeting my needs every day. In Jesus’ Name, I pray. Amen.

Day 4

Where have you seen the light of Jesus?

Jesus’ light shows up in our lives in different ways. Sometimes it might be through His people—others who also follow Jesus. Other times, it might feel like it was something straight from God—like an unexplained peace during a really hard time.

Try to remember a time when someone shined the light of Jesus in your life. Then reach out to that person and thank them for showing compassion to you. If you can do it in person, that’s awesome! But you can also call them, text them, or write them a thank you note, expressing gratitude that they cared enough to do something about your needs.

Day 5

Jesus is the light of the world.

Yesterday you took time to thank someone for showing you compassion. Today, you’re going to shine the light of Jesus by showing compassion to someone else!

Draw a line from each person to a way you can show them compassion. (Note: There are no wrong answers, but some pairings just make more sense.)

Grandparent	Bring them a treat
Parent	Write them an encouraging note
Brother	Offer to help with a chore or task
Sister	Empty the dishwasher without being asked
Friend	Offer to stay late and help clean up
Teacher	Wash their car
Bus driver	Help them with homework
Coach	Help them practice their sport or clean their room

Now, choose a pair that you can do in the next day or two. Then, shine the light of Jesus!