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**A Portrait of Jesus**

**Names that Reveal His Nature:**

**The Light of the World**

**John 1:4-9 / John 8:12 / John 9:5**

• This is God’s Word.

• It is a perfect treasure of divine instruction.

• It has God for its author,

• salvation for its end,

• and truth, without any mixture of error, for its matter.

• It is the supreme source of truth

• for what we believe

• and how we live.

**The Word gave life to everything that was created, and his life brought light to everyone. The light shines in the darkness, and the darkness can never extinguish it. God sent a man, John the Baptist, to tell about the light so that everyone might believe because of his testimony. John himself was not the light; he was simply a witness to tell about the light. The one who is the true light, who gives light to everyone, was coming into the world. John 1:4-9**

**Jesus spoke to the people once more and said, “I am the light of the world. If you follow me, you won’t have to walk in darkness, because you will have the light that leads to life.” John 8:12**

**“While I am here in the world, I am the light of the world.” John 9:5**

**The Light is Devoid of Darkness**

**This is the message we heard from Jesus and now declare to you: God is light, and there is no darkness in him at all. 1 John 1:5**

**The Light Destroys the Darkness**

**GOD drives out the darkness. 2 Samuel 22:29 (Msg)**

**The light shines in the darkness, and the darkness can never extinguish it. John 1:5**

**The Light Delivers us from the Darkness**

**I have come as a light to shine in this dark world, so that all who put their trust in me will no longer remain in the dark. John 12:46**

**…If you follow me, you won’t have to walk in darkness, because you will have the light that leads to life.” John 8:12**

**The Light Directs us as we Walk through the Darkness**

**Your word is a lamp to guide my feet and a light for my path. Psalm 119:105**

**Your word is a doorway that lets in light, and it helps gullible people understand. Psalm 119:130 (GW)**

**Our Challenge**

**Christians are called to Reflect the Light**

**“You are the light of the world—like a city on a hilltop that cannot be hidden. Matthew 5:14**

**For once you were full of darkness, but now you have light from the Lord. So live as people of light! Ephesians 5:8**

**Have you received the Light?**

**Are you reflecting the Light?**