



THIS WEEK

BIG IDEA

We must carry the light with us.

BIBLE

Matthew 5:14–16; John 1:5; 1 John 1:5

ABOUT THIS WEEK

This week we learned that Jesus didn't just bring light into the world — He shares that light with us. When we follow Him, we don't only see the light; we *carry* it. Jesus says we are the light of the world, which means our lives can help others see God's love, hope, and truth more clearly.

Let's Break the Ice // [Optional Discipleship Moment Follow Up]:

- Last week we challenged one another to share the light of Jesus with someone else. Did you do it? How did it go?
- What's something you've used a flashlight for recently?
- If your personality were a "type of light" (lamp, flashlight, LED strip, Christmas lights), what would it be and why?
- What's something small that someone did this week that brought a little "light" into your day?

Bible Study:

- Read Together: As a group, read Matthew 5:14-16 NIV
 - *Telos Bible Page Numbers: Matthew 5:14-16 (pg 944)*

Discussion Questions:

- Jesus says we are the light of the world. What do you think He meant by that?
 - Why do you think Jesus said not to "hide the light"? What are ways people your age might hide their faith?
 - Jesus describes good deeds as light. What are some real examples of "good deeds" that help people see God more clearly?
 - Read John 1:5 — "The light shines in the darkness, and the darkness has not overcome it." What does this promise mean for you personally?
 - What's one place in your life where you feel like God is asking you to shine His light?
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Make it Real:

- If someone watched how you lived this week, what do you hope they would see about Jesus through your life?

Prayer**Share Requests:**

- *Ask for any prayer requests or praises to celebrate together.*

Group Prayer:

- Encourage students to thank Jesus for sending us out as light into a dark world.