
devotions



Again Jesus spoke to them, saying, "I am the light of the world. Whoever follows me will never walk in darkness but will have the light of life." John 8:12

CHECK IN

Let's check in with each other! Spend a few minutes sharing about your last 24 hours - what sparked light (what was a highlight/favorite part), what caused darkness (what wasn't your favorite, what struggles did you face), and where did you see God's guiding light shining brightest (what was a God moment you experienced)? Let everyone share!

DAILY THEME

Guided by the light, we are called to shine God's light on others as we share God's love to all. When you think of the word "shine", what do you think of? Name as many different things that shine as you can! What do you think it might mean for us to shine God's love?

READ THE TEXT

Read together in the Bible the story of the Early Believers. If you have a regular Bible, turn to Acts 4:32-35. If you are using a Spark Story Bible, turn to pg. 504. Read through the text once together, and then to really bring the story to life, read it again, having one person be the "narrator" while the other family members help act it out! After reading it twice through, can you retell the story in your own words?

TALK ABOUT IT

Discuss together:

- How did God's love shine in this text? What actions did the early believers do that helped shine God's love to those around them?
- What special gifts/talents do you have that can help shine God's love to others?
- What are 3 different ways you can shine God's love and light to others today? Check out the Afternoon Activity for some ideas too. However you choose to shine God's love, go out and do it!

TALK TO GOD

Let's pray! For today's prayer, find a light source to pray around (a candle, a lamp, a flashlight). Find a dark place to pray, with the light source in the middle. As you pray, name the people you would like to shine God's love to, and spend time thanking God for the people who shine love in your own life!