



Sermon Main Idea:

You can choose to receive the Light of the World by letting go of incorrect images of God, distractions or sin patterns, and “denied realities” in your story.

Introduction:

1. What are some examples of incorrect images of God that people have in our society today?

SORP:

Scripture | read John 8:12-38 and relate last week’s daily bible readings

Observation | what do we notice? what stands out?

1. Read John 8:1-11. How does this interaction between Jesus, the Pharisees, and the woman on trial relate to what happens next with Jesus on trial?
2. What do you think Jesus was trying to accomplish with His words to the Pharisees in verses 14-19?
3. After the Jews were confused about what Jesus was saying of His Father, what he said in verses 28-29 caused many people to believe in Him. What do you think resonated with the Jews to bring them to a place of belief?
4. Jesus said in verse 34 that “everyone who sins is a slave to sin.” What did He mean by this? How do we become slaves to sin?
5. Read John 8:39-47. In light of the time of remembrance they have been celebrating in the Festival of Booths, what strikes you about Jesus’s words to the Jews about the identity of their father?
6. Compare the concepts of truth and lies with freedom and slavery, as discussed in verses 31-47.

Response | how can we respond in our lives to what we learn?

1. What image of God do you need to let go of to receive the Light of Christ?
2. What distraction or sin patterns keep you from receiving the abundant life Jesus offers?
3. What “denied reality” in your story does Jesus want to shed light on so you can be free?
4. How do you feel God is calling you to respond to what He has shown you through this passage?

Prayer | ask God to help you live out your response

Last Week’s Daily Bible Readings

Monday, 2/24 – John 7:25-44 MSG

Tuesday, 2/25 – John 7:37-44

Wednesday, 2/26 – 7:45-52

Thursday, 2/27 – John 7:53-8:6a

Friday, 2/28 – 8:6b-8:11

Saturday, 2/29 – John 8:12-30 NLT