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Christ Came: Witness
John 1:6-9

There came a man who was sent from God; his name was John. He came as a witness to testify concerning that light, so that through him all men might believe. He himself was not the light. The true light that gives light to every man was coming into the world.

1. God sent a man named John
Principle:

2. The witness of John the Baptist
Principle:

A. John the Baptist's testimony

B. How he testified

3. Being a conduit for belief in Jesus Christ

Small Group & Personal Bible Study – “Testify to the Light of the World”

Memory Verse: John 1:9

“The true light that gives light to every man was coming into the world.”

Discovery Bible Study: 2 Corinthians 5:20

- First, read all of 2 Corinthians 5:13-21 to understand the context of the passage.
- Step 1: Write out the words of 2 Corinthians 5:20
- Step 2: Rewrite the passage in your own words
- Step 3: What do you discover in this passage?
- Step 4: How will you obey what God is telling you?

Daily Bible Ready:

- Day 1: John 1:1-5
- Day 2: John 1:6-9
- Day 3: John 1:10-18
- Day 4: John 1:19-28
- Day 5: John 1:29-34

Lesson: John 1:6-8

1. For what purpose was John the Baptist sent?
2. What is the purpose of a witness or a testimony?
3. Read 2 Corinthians 5:13-21. What responsibility or purpose have we been called to according to Paul in verse 20?

Have you ever thought that perhaps the main purpose of remembering Christmas is not about family, gifts and celebrations but rather it is about testifying to the light of the world? The message is that, “The Word became flesh and made His dwelling among us.” (v14) and that, “To all who received Him, to those who believed in His name, He gave the right to become children of God.” (v12)

4. Having studied this message, what is the greatest gift you can share with someone this Christmas?