

Follow the Light*
John 8:12-20
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The backdrop of verse 12:

The theological significance of verse 12:

Throughout the Bible "Light" is used to symbolize God.

1. Psalm 27:1
2. Psalm 36:9
3. Acts 9:3
4. 1 John 1:5

The practical significance of verse 12:

- A. Light alerts us to dangers
- B. Light trumps darkness.
- C. Light denotes understanding.
- D. Light is necessary for life and growth.

What does it mean to follow Christ? (five meanings of the Greek word follow)

1. It's used of a soldier who follows his captain.
2. It's used of a slave accompanying his master.
3. It's used in the sense of accepting or applying the wisdom of a wise counselor.
4. It means to obey the laws of government or the standards that are set up.
5. It's used of a student following his teacher's arguments.

Summary of what it means to follow Christ: A true follower of Jesus Christ is someone who surrenders their heart, body and soul to Christ. It's total and complete surrender!

IV. Two promises for those who follow Christ:

- A. They will escape darkness.
- B. They will have the light of life.

Three reasons why His personal witness is valid:

1. I know where I came from and where I am going.
2. You judge according to the flesh I judge no one. (v.15)
3. My judgment is true for I am not alone.
(v.16)

Who is Jesus' witness? God the Father