

# shine

## SMALL GROUP QUESTIONS

THAT YOU MAY BE BLAMELESS AND INNOCENT, CHILDREN OF GOD WITHOUT BLEMISH IN THE MIDST OF  
A CROOKED AND TWISTED GENERATION, AMONG WHOM  
YOU SHINE AS LIGHTS IN THE WORLD





## Week 1

**Text:** John 1:5; 6:1–14

**Topics:** Light, Darkness, Sharing a Lunch

**Big Idea of the Message:** Even when our lights feel dim, they are still making a difference.

**Application Point:** God can and will use the light we shine for others even when it seems very dim.

### Discussion Questions:

1. What is one thing that stood out to you from this week's message?
2. Why is comparing the light a glow stick produces to a high-powered floodlight an unfair comparison?
3. How does light always overcome dark?
4. Why is taking a picture in dimly lit places difficult?
5. Specifically what sort of light did Jesus give *you* to shine?
6. How can we pray for you?



## **Week 2**

**Text:** 1 John 4:7–13; Luke 10: 25–37

**Topics:** Brightness, Love, Good Samaritan

**Big Idea of the Message:** Use what you already have to shine your light.

**Application Point:** Who could you bring the light of service and love to this week in your community?

### **Discussion Questions:**

1. What is one thing that stood out to you from this week's message?
2. How is it possible for light to propel something?
3. How can you shine your light to someone in your daily life?
4. How did the Good Samaritan use what he had to bless another person?  
How should we go and to likewise?
5. What do you already have that Jesus could use to shine his light to others?
6. How can we pray for you?



### **Week 3**

**Text:** 1 John 1:5–10; Psalm 119:105

**Topics:** Illuminate, Embodiment of Jesus, Hospitality

**Big Idea of the Message:** We embody Jesus and the fellowship among believers when we shine our light.

**Application Point:** What is an act of hospitality you can offer to someone this week?

### **Discussion Questions:**

1. What is one thing that stood out to you from this week's message?
2. Although it seems simple, a white light is actually made up of many colors. Draw a connection between the complexities of light and how God made us.
3. Brainstorm ways we can show hospitality beyond than inviting someone into our house for dinner.
4. Think of someone from the Bible who shined their lights for Jesus. How frequently do we read about people who shined their lights for Jesus in the Bible?
5. What does it mean to embody Jesus?
6. How can we pray for you?



#### **Week 4**

**Text:** Mark 4: 21–25; John 8:12

**Topics:** Light Shines, Hidden, Prominent

**Big Idea of the Message:** Lights shine best when they are not covered.

**Application Point:** Our tiny lights can cast far when they are lifted high and left uncovered.

#### **Discussion Questions:**

1. What is one thing that stood out to you from this week's message?
2. Lighthouses are reminders that God calls us to light the way to lead others to him. What is one way you can do that right now that has not already been mentioned?
3. How would the world be different if you didn't shine your light?
4. What benefit does raising a light have? Why not just keep it on the floor?
5. What is the basket you tend to hide your light under?
6. How can we pray for you?