

## JESUS IS THE LIGHT OF THE WORLD

**Introduction:** In these chapters John showed the source of Jesus' opposition came from the religious leaders in Jerusalem who desired His death, even plotted for it. These were the rulers of darkness of this world fighting against the Light of the world. It was spiritual warfare: Satan's forces against God's. In Ephesians 4-6 we will see a likeness of the believers' warfare against Satan's forces.

**Lesson Aim:** Learn how to fight against the darkness of this world with light that Christ gives us.

**Verse:** "We wrestle not against flesh and blood, but against principalities, against powers, against the rulers of the darkness of this world, against spiritual wickedness in high places" (Eph 6:12).

### Lesson Outline and Questions to Answer

#### I. Our Need for Spiritual Warfare — Jn 7:1-44 (Eph 5:14-6:9)

##### A. Watchfulness — Jn 7:1-13 (Eph 5:14-15)

1. Why was Jesus watchful about going to Jerusalem for the Feast of Tabernacles? 7:7-8
  - a.
  - b.
2. How did Jesus go to the Feast of Tabernacles? 7:10

##### B. Wisdom — Jn 7:14-36 (Eph 5:15b-17; 6:17)

3. Where did Jesus get His wisdom (doctrine)? 7:16
4. How do we get wisdom? Jam 1:5
5. How could people know that Jesus was telling them the truth? 7:17-18 (The same is true of us.)

##### C. "Water" — Jn 7:37-44 (Eph 5:18-6:9)

6. What does the "living water" represent that Jesus offered to sinners? 7:38-39

#### II. Our Awareness in Spiritual Warfare — Jn 7:45-8:11 (Eph 6:10-12)

##### A. Wrath — Jn 7:45-53 (Eph 6:12)

7. Who were the rulers of darkness that wanted to destroy Jesus? 7:32, 45
8. Who was sympathetic to Jesus? 7:50-51

##### B. Wiles — Jn 8:1-11 (Eph 6:10-11)

9. How did Satan use the scribes and Pharisees to try to trap Jesus in His words? 8:3-7a
10. How did Jesus avoid the trap? 8:7b-9
11. What did Jesus tell the woman? 8:10-11

#### III. Our Duty in Spiritual Warfare — Jn 8:12-59 (Eph 5:1-13; 6:12-20)

##### A. Witness — Jn 8:12-20 (Eph 5:8, 13; 6:19-20)

12. How was Jesus a witness to the world? 8:12, 20

##### B. Warn — Jn 8:21-30 (Eph 4:17-19)

13. What warning did Jesus give to those that heard Him in the Temple? 8:24

##### C. Walk — Jn 8:31-47 (Eph 5:2, 8, 15)

14. What did Jesus tell the believing Jews to do, that would make them free? 8:31-32

##### D. Wrestle — Jn 8:48-59 (Eph 6:12-18)

15. What did Jesus say in His wrestling with the Jews that they could not believe? 8:51-53
16. What did Jesus say that made the Jews take up stones to kill Him? 8:56-59