

## The Light and the Lamb

**Our Mission: To take as many people to Heaven as we can before we die. Period.**

*"I am the light of the world. Whoever follows me will not walk in darkness, but will have the light of life." John 8:12 ESV*

*And the star they had seen in the east guided them to Bethlehem. It went ahead of them and stopped over the place where the child was. When they saw the star, they were filled with joy!*

**Matthew 2:9-10 NLT**

### **1. We keep looking for answers within, leaving us in the dark.**

Then they will look toward the earth and see only distress and darkness and fearful gloom, and they will be thrust into utter darkness. **Isaiah 8:22 NIV**

Your word is a lamp to my feet and a light to my path. **Psalm 119:105 ESV**

I have come as a light to shine in this dark world, so that all who put their trust in me will no longer remain in the dark. **John 12:46 NLT**

### **2. Until we see ourselves as sinners, we won't see that we need a Savior.**

"...there will be no more gloom for those who were in distress...in the future he will honor Galilee of the nations...beyond the Jordan—The people walking in darkness have seen a great light; on those living in the land of deep darkness a light has dawned...For to us a child is born, to us a son is given, and the government will be on his shoulders. And he will be called Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God. **Isaiah 9:1-2,6 NIV**

"...the people who sat in darkness have seen a great light. And for those who lived in the land where death casts its shadow, a light has shined." **Matthew 4:16 NLT**

### **3. The shepherds left the law that brought guilt, to find the light and the lamb of God that brought life.**

That night in the fields near Bethlehem some shepherds were guarding their sheep. All at once an angel came down to them from the Lord, and the brightness of the Lord's glory flashed around them. The shepherds were frightened. But the angel said, "Don't be afraid! I have good news for you...This very day in [Bethlehem] a Savior was born for you. He is Christ the Lord. You will know who he is, because you will find him dressed in baby clothes and lying on a bed of hay." ...the shepherds said to each other, "Let's go to Bethlehem and see what the Lord has

told us about." They hurried off and found Mary and Joseph, and they saw the baby lying on a bed of hay. **Luke 2:8-16 CEV**

Every priest goes to work at the altar each day, offers the same old sacrifices year in, year out, and never makes a dent in the sin problem. As a priest, Christ made a single sacrifice for sins, and that was it! **Hebrews 10:11-12 MSG**

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