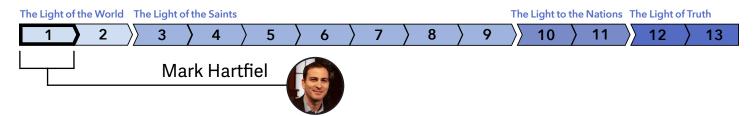


Facilitator Guide

Session 1: Radiate and Illuminate

Fall Semester Timeline



Summary

Jesus is the light of men, but he also chose you to bring light to the nations. God is infinitely more than we can ever fathom and we are called to trust in his greatness. In the battle of spiritual light and spiritual darkness, the light exposes the deeds of the dark. "The light shines in the darkness, and the darkness has not overcome it" (John 1:1-5). To bring the light of Christ to others and overcome sin, virtue must be practiced. Virtue begins in one's heart and has the ability to positively impact those around you and all of society.

Small Group Goals

- Jump right into a journey of understanding what it means to reflect the Light of Christ.
- Discern what it means to be God's own people: a royal priesthood, a chosen race, a holy nation.
- Encourage the men to consider that when you follow Christ, you become the light of life. Evil hates light. It hated Him so it will hate you. For everyone who does evil hates the light.

Discussion Questions

- Have you ever met someone who seems to radiate the light and love of Christ? If so, what attributes and virtues do they reflect? Do you enjoy being around them? What does their presence do to your spirit?
- Are there areas of your life or in your heart that need the light of Christ? We all have places within us still in need of conversion are you able to pinpoint those areas? If not, ask your wife!!
- Who are two men you can invite to bring with you next week?

Supplemental Questions

- What struck you most about today's presentation and what excites you most about this new year of TMIY?
- What were your thoughts hearing the scriptures mention Orion and the Pleiades thousands of years before modern science and modern understanding of the Solar System?
- Are you familiar with any of this year's speakers?