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A MINISTRY ON THE PRESCOTT TOWN SQUARE

**“That You May Believe”
A Shining Light into a Shunning Darkness**

John 1:6-13
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1. Before God Saves Someone He Sends Someone (1:6-8)

2. The True Light Gives Light (1:9)

3. Sin Serving Hearts Shun the Light (1:10-11)

4. God's Saving Power Birth's New Life (1:12-13)

Questions for Reflection and Application

1.) When and where did you hear the gospel the first time? That might be a hard question to answer, whether it was from parents as a small child or on the radio while driving... But if you are a Christian, someone through some means shared the gospel with you. Of all the ways God could communicate his good news, why do you think he chose to send people to do it?

2.) Since God sent people to you, have you considered recently what people are in your life that God is sending you to?

3.) Jesus is called the true light. What does light do in a place of absolute darkness? (See Psalm 36:9; 90:8; John 3:19-21)

4.) Sin darkened hearts are in rebellion against God (see Romans 1:20-21 and Ephesians 2:1-3), this was how our hearts were. How can we *show gratitude* (not earn) to God for saving his enemies and making them family?

5.) How does the fact that only a work of the Spirit can open people's eyes help you in your evangelism? Can you think of any implications that might have on sharing your faith?

6.) Look at John 1:12-13 and Hebrews 4:16. Those who believe the good news are given 'the right' to become children of God. What access does the believer have to God's presence, mercy, promises, love, and inheritance because of this? Since by adoption you have the right to being God's child, do you see yourself as a wanted son/daughter?