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## TODAY'S "I HAVE COME" STATEMENT OF JESUS

John 12:46, "I have come into the world as a light, so that no one who believes in me should stay in darkness."

## ISAIAH ON JESUS: 700 YEARS BEFORE HE WAS BORN

- Isaiah 9:2, "The people who walk in darkness will see a great light. For those who live in a land of deep darkness, a light will shine."
- In Isaiah 42:6, "...You will be a light to guide the nations."
- Isaiah 49:6, "I will make you a light to the Gentiles, and you will bring my salvation to the ends of the earth."

So God made it known some 700 years prior to Jesus' birth that when he came, he would come as a light to illuminate the path of \_\_\_\_\_.

## SIMEON ON JESUS: WHEN HE WAS 8 DAYS OLD

"Sovereign Lord, as you have promised, you now dismiss your servant in peace. <sup>30</sup>For my eyes have seen your salvation, <sup>31</sup> which you have prepared in the sight of all people, <sup>32</sup> a light for revelation to the Gentiles and for glory to your people Israel." Luke 2:29-32

## JOHN THE BAPTIST ON JESUS: BEFORE HE STARTED HIS PUBLIC MINISTRY

"He came as a witness to testify concerning that light, so that through him all men might believe. <sup>8</sup> He himself was not the light; he came only as a witness to the light. <sup>9</sup> The true light that gives light to every man was coming into the world." John 1:7-9

## MATTHEW ON JESUS: WHEN HE COMMENCED HIS PUBLIC MINISTRY

"...the people living in darkness have seen a great light; on those living in the land of the shadow of death a light has dawned." Matthew 4:16

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### **JESUS' OWN WORDS ON WHY HE CAME: AT THE FEAST OF TABERNACLES**

"I am the light of the world. Whoever follows me will never walk in darkness, but will have the light of life." (John 8:12)

### **JESUS' OWN WORDS ON WHY HE CAME: AT THE PASSOVER FEAST**

"I have come into the world as a light, so that no one who believes in me should stay in darkness." John 12:46

### **JESUS' GRAVE WARNING: DAYS BEFORE HIS DEATH ON THE CROSS**

"My light will shine for you just a little longer. Walk in the light while you can, so the darkness will not overtake you. Those who walk in the darkness cannot see where they are going.<sup>36</sup> Put your trust in the light while there is still time; then you will become children of the light." John 12:35-36

### **TWO BASIC (AND POLAR OPPOSITE) RESPONSES TO JESUS**

1. Some tried to \_\_\_\_\_ him (John 8:59).
2. Others \_\_\_\_\_ in him (John 10:42).

### **THREE GOOD REASONS TO CHOOSE JESUS OVER SIN**

1. Sin is only fun for \_\_\_\_\_. Hebrews 11:25
2. Sin doesn't satisfy - it only creates an insatiable appetite  
\_\_\_\_\_. Proverbs 13:25
3. Unrepentant sin results in \_\_\_\_\_ damnation.  
John 12:46 (cf. Matthew 8:12 where "darkness" is a synonym for hell)

