“I am the Light of the World”

Three Compelling Reasons to Embrace Christ as Your Light (John 8:12-20)

1. Because He Fulfills the Feast of Booths as the Ultimate Provider of Light (v.12)
   1. The astonishing claim of Christ—“I am the Light of the World”
      1. He is the God of the Exodus and the ultimate provider of deliverance (Exod. 13:21-22; John 1:14)
      2. He is God’s ultimate revelation to man (Prov. 6:23; Ps. 119:105; John 1:18)
      3. He is the ultimate provider of life (John 1:4-9)
   2. The natural condition of man—“Darkness”
   3. The only fitting response to light—“Follow”
   4. The promised possession—“The Light of Life”
2. Because He Provides a Credible Testimony (vv.13-18)
   1. Christ’s self-testimony is credible because it accords with reality (vv.13-14)
      1. Based on Christ’s certain knowledge of His origin and destination
      2. Rejected because of man’s ignorance of Christ’s origin and destination
         1. Owing to man’s condition of darkness (1:5, 10-11)
         2. Despite its clear demonstration
            1. Through His works (3:1; 14:11; 15:24 [9:32])
            2. Through the way His teaching and works perfectly aligned with and fulfilled the Scriptures (5:46-47; 7:22-24)
            3. Through the Father’s own witness to Him (5:31-39)
         3. Due to a desperate heart condition (John 6:63; 7:17; 8:43-44, 47; 2 Cor. 5:16)
   2. Christ’s self-testimony is credible because it is in harmony with the Father (vv.15-18)
3. Because He is the Exclusive Access Point to the Father (vv.19-20)