

LIGHT OF THE WORLD

Bible lesson for kids



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I'm SO thankful you've downloaded this resource! I pray these activities engage your little learners and let them have fun as you teach them from God's Word! There is *no better way* to spend your time.

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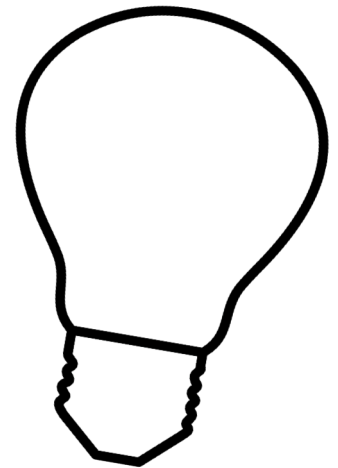
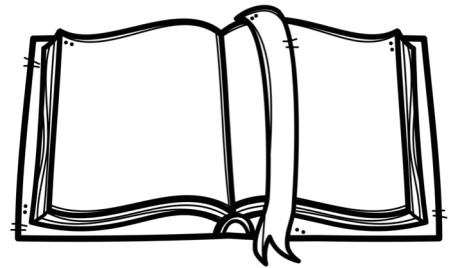
Dear teacher,

Thank you for downloading this resource! I pray it **engages your learners** and **simplifies your lesson planning**. We know how important it is to intentionally teach and talk about the Bible with children - *there's no better use of our time!*

These activities were created to aid you as you teach a mini unit of the biblical concept of Jesus being the **LIGHT OF THE WORLD** and our calling to be a **LIGHT TO THE WORLD**.

This resource includes:

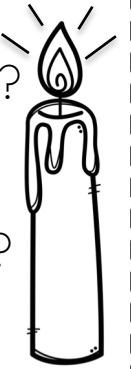
- Light of the World devotional
- John 8:12 Bible verse poster (color and black & white)
 - Display one in the classroom and give copies to the children to keep and/or display at home
- Jesus is the Light of the World craft (younger students)
- Jesus is the Light World Mosaic craft (older students)
- John 8:12 Bible verse copy work (print)
- Matthew 5:14-16 Bible verse copy work (print)
- John 8:12 Bible verse copy work (cursive)
- Matthew 5:14-16 Bible verse copy work (cursive)
- True or False? Thinking About Light in the Bible
 - Optional: Read the statements out loud and have the children respond by giving a thumbs-up or thumbs-down or by standing verses sitting.
- Light VS Darkness Sort
 - Optional: Have the children act out the scenarios and decide as a class if that action is demonstrating the light of Christ or darkness of sin.
- I Can Be a Light - Brainstorming Activity
 - Tell the kids their "homework" is to be a light and share the light of God with someone! Remind them that God is glorified by our good deeds.



LIGHT OF THE WORLD

devotional

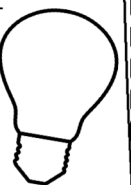
If I were to turn off all the lights in this room, what would happen?
It would be very dark and you probably wouldn't be able to see.
But if I light a small candle or shine a little flashlight, what happens?
The light bursts through the darkness and we can see!

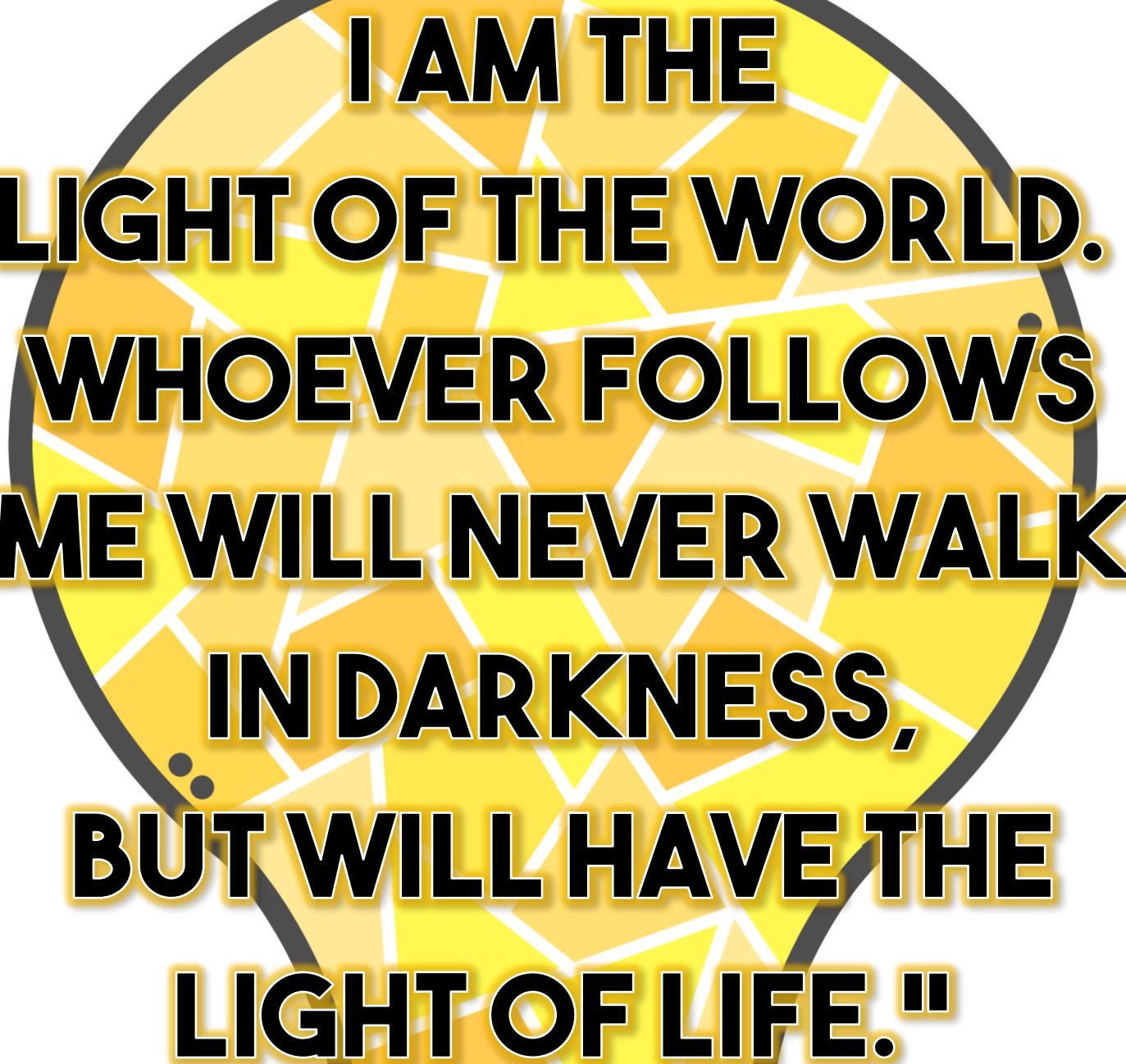


The Bible talks about light in many different places, in both the Old and the New Testament. The Bible, God's Word, is called "a lamp for my feet, a light

for my path." (Psalm 119:105). When we don't know what to do, we can look in the Bible for wisdom and help. In the book of John, Jesus describes himself as a light. He says, "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 isn't the only one called a light - his followers are too! In Matthew 5, Jesus tells the people "You are the light of the world... let your light shine before others, that they may see your good deeds and glorify your Father in heaven."

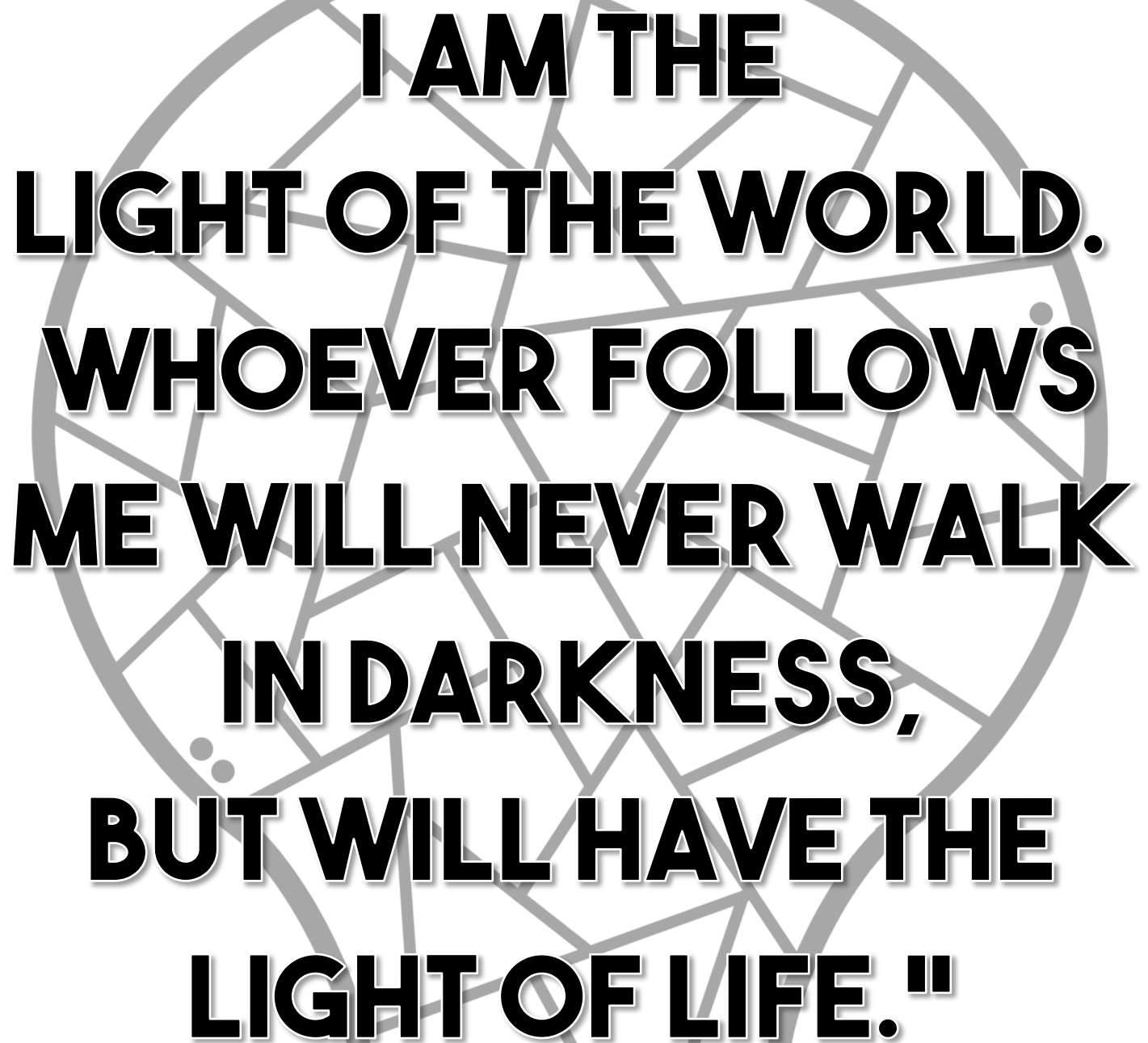
So you see, Jesus is a light - but when we walk with Him and obey His words, we are also lights to the world! We don't actually grow lightbulbs out of our heads (that would be crazy!) but we do shine the light of Jesus to our family, friends, and neighbors who don't know God by sharing love and truth. *How can you shine your light today?*





**I AM THE
LIGHT OF THE WORLD.
WHOEVER FOLLOWS
ME WILL NEVER WALK
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BUT WILL HAVE THE
LIGHT OF LIFE."**

JOHN 8:12



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JESUS IS THE LIGHT OF THE WORLD!

1. Trace the words to help you memorize the Bible verse.

Jesus said, "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

2. Write the words to help you memorize the Bible verse.

3. Draw a picture to help you remember the message of the verse:

Name: _____

LET YOUR LIGHT SHINE!

1. Trace the words to help you memorize the Bible verse.

"You are the light of the world... let
your light shine before others, that
they may see your good deeds and
glorify your Father in heaven."

Matthew 5:14-16

2. Write the words to help you memorize the Bible verse.

3. Draw a picture to help you remember the message of the verse:

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JESUS IS THE LIGHT OF THE WORLD!

1. Trace the words to help you memorize the Bible verse.

*Jesus said, "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*

2. Write the words in cursive to help you memorize the Bible verse.

3. Draw a picture to help you remember the message of the verse:

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LET YOUR LIGHT SHINE!

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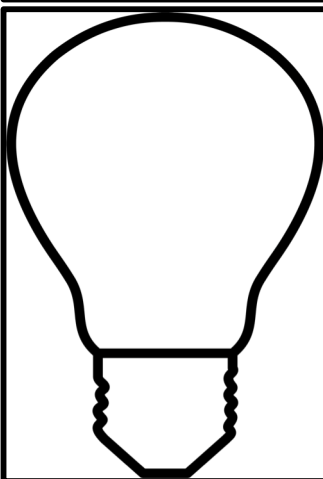
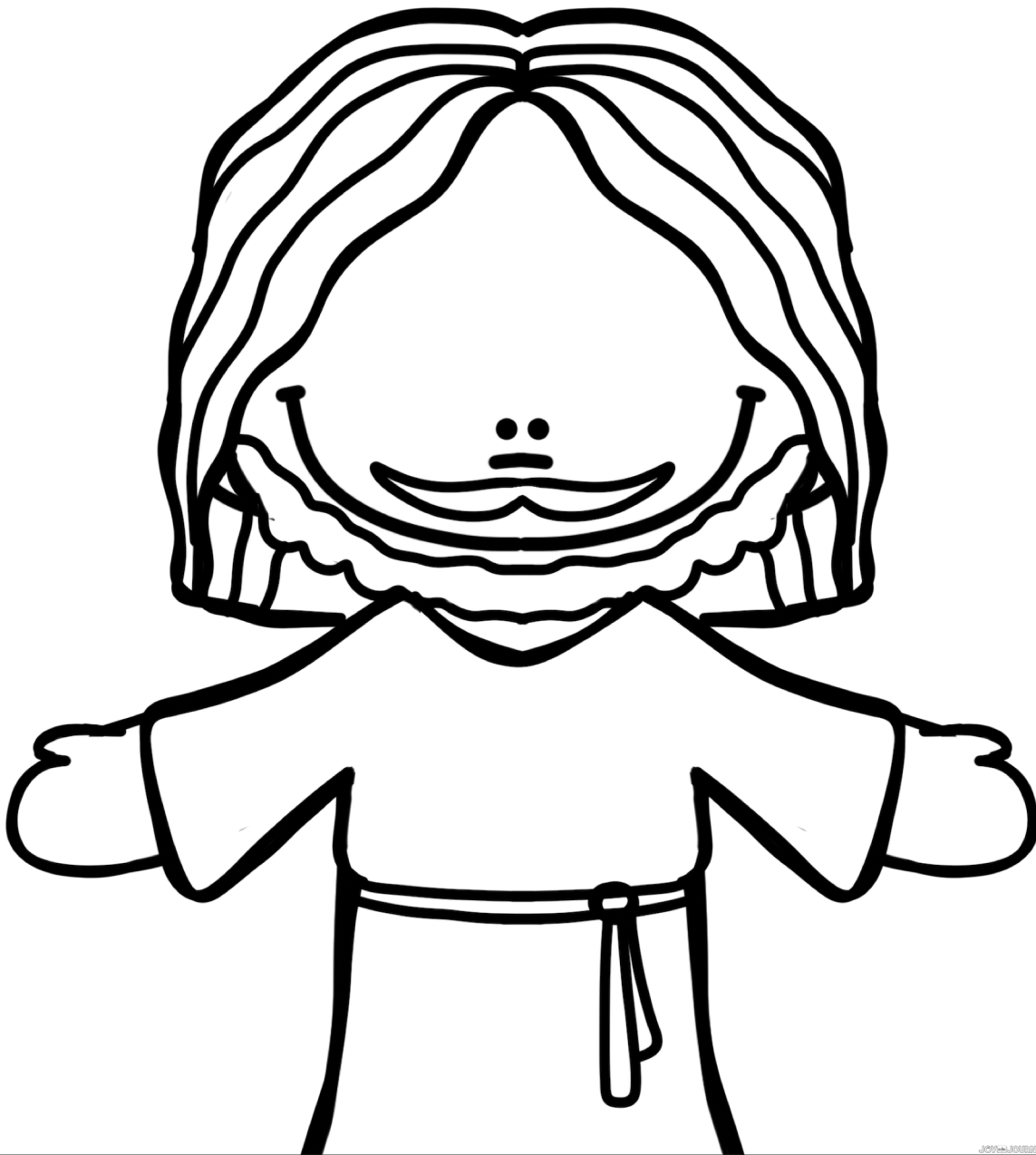
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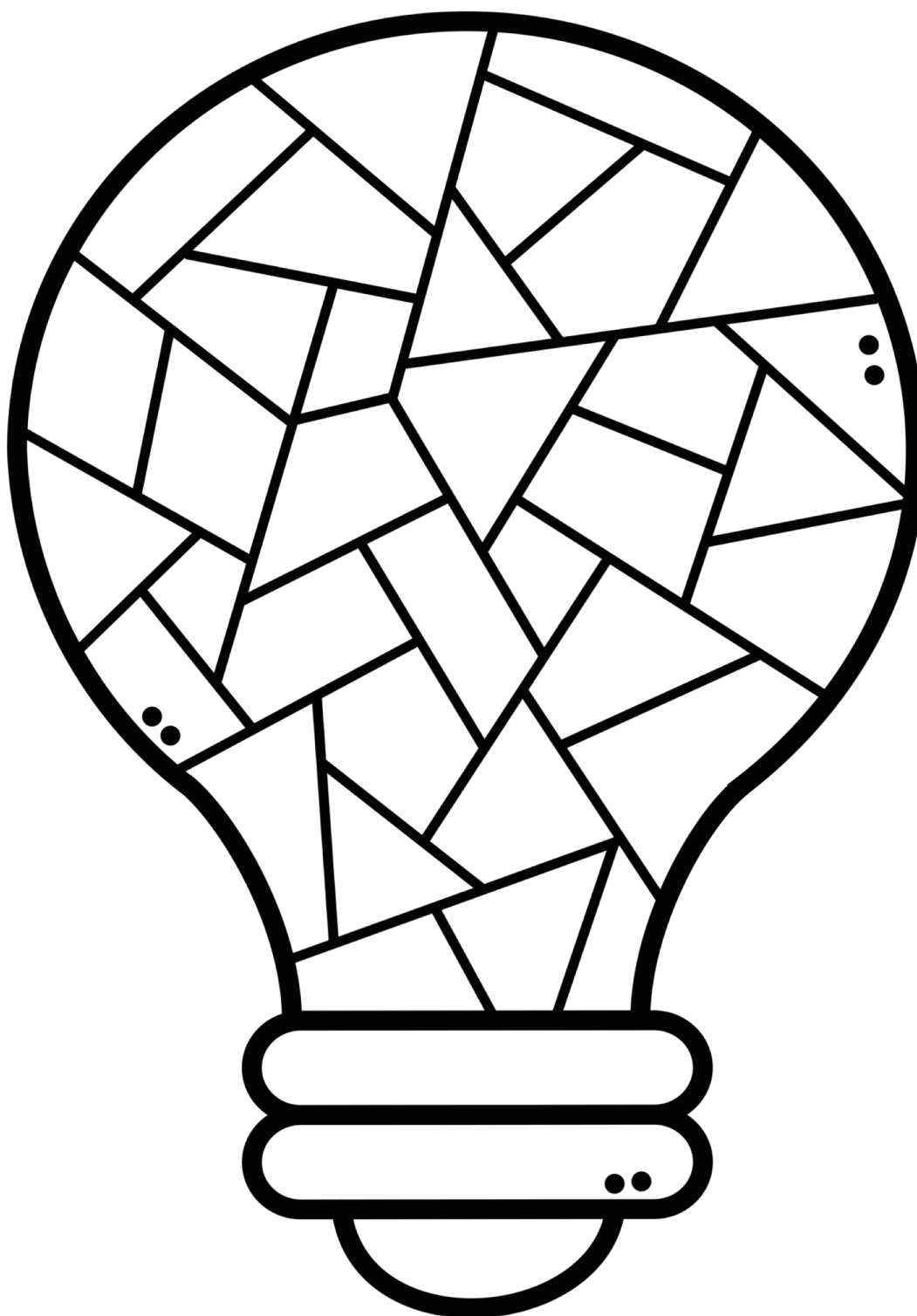


Directions:
Color each picture.
Cut out and glue the title on the
top of a piece of construction
paper. Then glue Jesus
underneath the title. Glue the
lightbulb in on hand and the
globe in the other.

Color the lightbulb, filling in each space with yellow, orange, gold, etc. to make a beautiful pattern.
Cut the title and the lightbulb out and glue them on a black piece of construction paper.

JESUS IS THE LIGHT OF THE WORLD


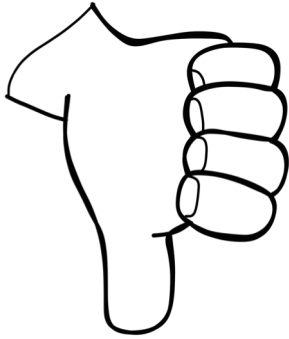

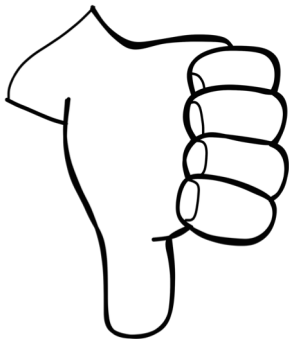

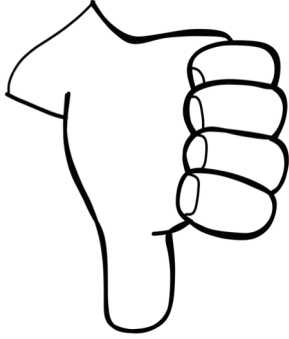

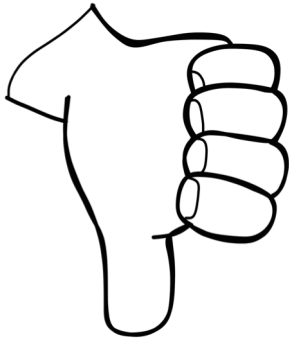
John 8:12



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TRUE OR FALSE?

Directions: Read each statement and decide if it is true or false:

Statement	True	False
Jesus called Himself the "light of the world."		
Children can't be lights - only adults can.		
We should hide our light so no one can see it because they might not like it.		
We should shine our light and do good deeds so God will be glorified.		

Name: _____

LIGHT VS. DARKNESS

Directions: Read each statement and decide if it is representing the light of Jesus or darkness of sin. Color the pictures. Cut and glue each situation in the correct column.

LIGHT

DARKNESS

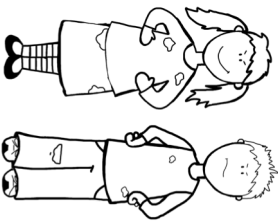
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loves you!

telling others
about Jesus

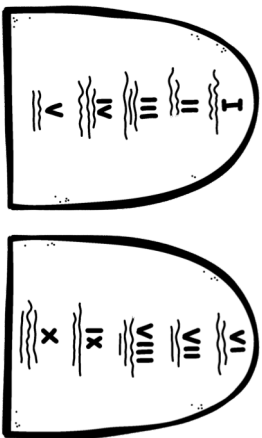
Did you break
the lamp?

No.

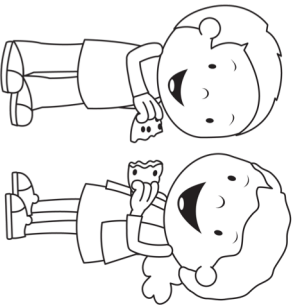
lying



speaking or
acting unkindly



obey God



sharing



stealing

Name: _____

I CAN BE A LIGHT TO THE WORLD!

Directions: Fill in the circles with practical ideas of how you can share the light of Jesus with the world.

