#### June 02 | Sunday

Lessons for a Better Life: Lighted Candle

Read Luke 11:33-36



## 03 | Mon – Blinded by the light | Read Acts 9:1-20

Not everyone can see physically but everyone does have internal eyesight. How you 'see' the world is reflected in the way you live. Saul was a highly educated religious leader but he was spiritually blind. Consumed by his mission to protect God's reputation, he missed seeing God at work. It took physical blindness for him to see the truth. As a result, he became such a different person even his name was changed. Have you ever had an experience when truth brought a radical new understanding? How did that change you?

## **04 | Tue – It's dark out here** | Read <u>Exodus 13:21-22 / Isaiah 50:10</u>

The people of Israel were traveling through the wilderness to a place they'd never seen. To assure them of His presence, God led them by a cloud during the day and a pillar of fire at night. They could travel even in the dark. Are you currently in the dark about something? Maybe a decision you need to make or you may find yourself confused by the unexpected direction your life is going. What sound advice do you find in Isaiah 50:10?

## 05 | Wed - Light source | Read John 8:12 and 12:46

Lightbulbs burn out, bonfires die out, the sun goes down but Jesus came to be light for the whole world. Not everyone welcomed him because darkness is a good cover for the things you don't want someone else to discover. It is easy to forget how dangerous the dark can become. Jesus promised if you follow him, you don't have to stumble through life clueless. Where might you need to change course? Are you willing?

# **06 | Thu – Unfolding the words** | Read <u>Psalm 119:105, 130, 133</u>

You might think it would be easier to follow Jesus if you had lived back then and could have heard him in person but God has provided a way to communicate His life-giving words which you can 'hear' every day. Inspired words you 'unfold' in your mind as you think about their meaning and application. They will provide insight and understanding, giving you joy in the good times and hope in the dark times. When have you experienced the powerful change God's word can bring into impossible situations?

#### **07 | Fri – Walk it out** | Read <u>1 John 1:5-10 and 2:9-11</u>

It is easy to agree with something you hear or read. It is quite another to actually put those ideas into practice. Have you found that to be true? John, the last living disciple, wrote three letters near the end of his life to assure discouraged believers of the truth they had embraced. Then he described the way to practically live it out. His words provide a good assessment for all believers. From these verses above, how do you know you are living in the light?

#### 08 | Sat - Let it shine | Read Luke 11:36

When your eyes see truth and it fills your mind and heart, your face will radiate with life and hope. Your eyes will shine, your face filled with kindness toward others, your actions will reflect the love of Jesus. There will be a purity and strength about you that will make others feel safe. The Holy Spirit will guide your steps and you will be a light in dark places. And you will know it is not by your own efforts. Are you ready to be that kind of person?

