

# PENTECOST METHODIST CHURCH

## LIVE-IT-OUT GUIDE

**Sermon Date: 30/01/2022**

**Text(s): John 8:12–30**

**Sermon Title: I Am The Light**

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(The sermon recording is available in the PMC website and MyPMC App)

### **READ (5 mins)**

#### **John 8:12–30 (ESV)**

**12** Again Jesus spoke to them, saying, “I am the light of the world. Whoever follows me will not walk in darkness, but will have the light of life.”

**13** So the Pharisees said to him, “You are bearing witness about yourself; your testimony is not true.”

**14** Jesus answered, “Even if I do bear witness about myself, my testimony is true, for I know where I came from and where I am going, but you do not know where I come from or where I am going.

**15** You judge according to the flesh; I judge no one.

**16** Yet even if I do judge, my judgment is true, for it is not I alone who judge, but I and the Father who sent me.

**17** In your Law it is written that the testimony of two people is true.

**18** I am the one who bears witness about myself, and the Father who sent me bears witness about me.”

**19** They said to him therefore, “Where is your Father?” Jesus answered, “You know neither me nor my Father. If you knew me, you would know my Father also.”

**20** These words he spoke in the treasury, as he taught in the temple; but no one arrested him, because his hour had not yet come.

**21** So he said to them again, “I am going away, and you will seek me, and you will die in your sin. Where I am going, you cannot come.”

**22** So the Jews said, “Will he kill himself, since he says, ‘Where I am going, you cannot come’?”

**23** He said to them, “You are from below; I am from above. You are of this world; I am not of this world.

**24** I told you that you would die in your sins, for unless you believe that I am he you will die in your sins.”

**25** So they said to him, “Who are you?” Jesus said to them, “Just what I have been telling you from the beginning.

**26** I have much to say about you and much to judge, but he who sent me is true, and I declare to the world what I have heard from him.”

**27** They did not understand that he had been speaking to them about the Father.

**28** So Jesus said to them, “When you have lifted up the Son of Man, then you will know that I am he, and that I do nothing on my own authority, but speak just as the Father taught me.

**29** And he who sent me is with me. He has not left me alone, for I always do the things that are pleasing to him.”

**30** As he was saying these things, many believed in him.

### **RELATE (30 mins)**

(Relate to what was shared and on key themes in the sermon)

- 1. The theme of this week's sermon is light and darkness. Is anyone here afraid of the dark? Anyone here always sleep with a light on?**
- 2. According to the preacher, Jesus increasingly pointed to himself as the pathway to God. Yet the Pharisees refused to acknowledge him as their Messiah. In today's Bible passage, how did Jesus point to himself as the Messiah? Why did the Pharisees reject Jesus?**

### **REFLECT (30 mins)**

(Reflect and apply God's word to our daily lives)

- 1. The reason Jesus brought attention to himself as the divine light is because God Himself is light. What can you expect the light of God to do *to you*? What can you expect the light of God to do *for you*?**
- 2. Without Jesus the light of God, we will dwell in darkness. Is it possible for a Christian to have Jesus and still dwell in darkness? How do we begin to truly live in the light?**

### **REST (15 mins)**

(Take time to share and pray for one another)

(Pray for our church, our nation, and our world. See MyPMC > PRAY for monthly guide)

- Pray for one another to be willing to open our hearts and lives to the light of Christ so that everything not of God can be exposed and removed through repentance.
- Pray for our church to be a church that will bear the light of Christ to our neighbours and our community and bring them the life of Christ.
- Pray for the MCS to continue to be strong and stable, able to meet needs in Singapore, and to stand out as a true witness of Christ Jesus.