



## Parents' Corner

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Our December theme is “Christmas Light: An Indescribable Gift.” The following scriptures reveal to us that Jesus is the true Light, our Savior and Lord! Jesus is an indescribable gift.

*For there is born to you this day in the city of David a Savior, who is Christ the Lord.*” Luke 2:11

*That was the true Light which gives light to every man coming into the world.* John 1:9

During the Christmas season lights are everywhere, on trees and houses, highlighting the time of year. Wouldn’t it be wonderful if every light were shining for Jesus?! We could reframe our thinking and, instead of looking at lights as decorations, we can look at every light and thank Jesus for His Light and our light. The scripture does say, “His true Light gives light to everyone coming into the world.” Let us remember that we are lights shining out into this world to let others know the True Light.

As parents, we model to our children that we are lights. Sing the song, “This little light of mine, I’m going to let it shine!” Take time this season and every season to think of ways we can let our light shine. Children can come up with creative ways to let their light shine. Listen to them! Your children, God’s little gifts to you, can shine for Jesus every day.

When you decorate this year talk about being lights for Jesus and view the lights you put up as lights proclaiming that Jesus came into the world to give light. Another idea is to make cards to give to people who might be experiencing darkness (sickness, loss of a loved one, lonely). On the cards the children can draw candles or lights and write “Jesus is the True Light and He Loves You!” Give the card to someone to brighten up their life.

Remember, Jesus, the Light of the world, loves you. SHINE for Him!