OBSERVATION -- As a group, talk through and summarize the passage. Think through *Who, What, Where, When, How, Why* questions together.

INTERPRETATION -- Answer these questions together:

1. What does this passage teach us about God?

a) What do we learn about God from the words life, light, and truth?

b) How does Jesus reveal the true God to us?

2. What does this passage teach us about us?

a) We live in a world full of darkness. Where have you been feeling the darkness of this world?

b) In what ways do you try to create your own light, OR...in what ways do you "love darkness rather than light" - John 3:19?

3. What does this passage teach us about grace/salvation? How does it point to Christ?

a) Jesus is the true light? Is there any darkness (sin) that Christ has been exposing in your life recently?

b) How does it encourage you to know that the light of Jesus will always overcome darkness?

APPLICATION

a) Is there a way that you can be a witness to the light this holiday season?

FIGHTER VERSES: John 1:1-5. Challenge: John 1:1-18.

PRAYER

- Praise God for breaking into our darkness with the light of Jesus Christ.
- Confess ways that you are still loving darkness rather than light.
- Thank Jesus for shining the light of his truth into the darkness of your life.
- Ask God to help you to be a witness to the light of Christ this season.