

Psalm 36

1 I have a message from God in my heart concerning the sinfulness of the wicked: There is no fear of God before their eyes. 2 In their own eyes they flatter themselves too much to detect or hate their sin. 3 The words of their mouths are wicked and deceitful; they fail to act wisely or do good. 4 Even on their beds they plot evil; they commit themselves to a sinful course and do not reject what is wrong. 5 Your love, Lord, reaches to the heavens, your faithfulness to the skies. 6 Your righteousness is like the highest mountains, your justice like the great deep. You, Lord, preserve both people and animals. 7 How priceless is your unfailing love, O God! People take refuge in the shadow of your wings. 8 They feast on the abundance of your house; you give them drink from your river of delights. 9 For with you is the fountain of life; in your light we see light. 10 Continue your love to those who know you, your righteousness to the upright in heart. 11 May the foot of the proud not come against me, nor the hand of the wicked drive me away. 12 See how the evildoers lie fallen— thrown down, not able to rise!

John 8:12-21

¹² When Jesus spoke again to the people, he said, "I am the light of the world. Whoever follows me will never walk in darkness, but will have the light of life."

¹³ The Pharisees challenged him, "Here you are, appearing as your own witness; your testimony is not valid."

¹⁴ Jesus answered, "Even if I testify on my own behalf, my testimony is valid, for I know where I came from and where I am going. But you have no idea where I come from or where I am going. ¹⁵ You judge by human standards; I pass judgment on no one. ¹⁶ But if I do judge, my decisions are true, because I am not alone. I stand with the Father, who sent me. ¹⁷ In your own Law it is written that the testimony of two witnesses is true. ¹⁸ I am one who testifies for myself; my other witness is the Father, who sent me."

¹⁹ Then they asked him, "Where is your father?"

"You do not know me or my Father," Jesus replied. "If you knew me, you would know my Father also." ²⁰ He spoke these words while teaching in the temple courts near the place where the offerings were put. Yet no one seized him, because his hour had not yet come.

Dispute Over Who Jesus Is

²¹ Once more Jesus said to them, "I am going away, and you will look for me, and you will die in your sin. Where I go, you cannot come."

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*"Cultivating space for people to experience
the transforming love of Christ."*

Psalm 36 and John 8:12-21

"In Your Light We See Light"

Gathering With Joy

- Prelude“Christ Whose Glories Fill the Skies”
- Welcome
- Call to Worship
- * Opening Song “Shine, Jesus Shine”
- * God’s Greeting
- * Song “Here I Am to Worship”

Opening Ourselves to God

- Call to Confession
- Prayer of Confession
- Assurance of Pardon
- Song “Amazing Grace”
- Congregational Prayer

Hearing God’s Word

- * Song “How Great is Our God”
- Scripture Psalm 36 and John 8:12-21
- Sermon **“In Your Light We See Light”**

Responding in Faith

- Prayer of Response
- * Song of Response “Christ Whose Glories Fill the Sky”

Departing for Service

- * Benediction
- * Doxology “By Our Love”
- * A Moment of Meditation
- * Postlude

(*) Denotes - *Please stand, if able.* CCLI #750610

Offering received at exits—Sully Christian School

Worship Leader: Pastor Brian Ochsner

Accompanist: Praise Team

Projection: Sally Van Wyk

Sound: Kevin Laverman

AM NOTES

Text: Psalm 36 and Joh 8:12-21

Title: **“In Your Light We See Light”**

AM--Psalm 36

1. How did the encouragement to see Christ as the great equalizer help you to see life in the brilliant light of Christ?
2. Can you identify a place in your life that you are actively trying to keep hidden from the light of Christ?