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**Sermon Notes for January 19<sup>th</sup>, 2025**

**"Life Shines in Darkness"**

Sermon Text: **John 1:1-5 (p. 1127)**; Old Testament Text: **Psalms 27:1-4 (p. 583)**; New Testament Text: **Ephesians 2:1-10 (p. 1242)**.

Read **John 1:1-5 (p. 1127)** as you listen to the sermon, then answer the questions below.

1. Read **John 1:1 (p. 1127)**. Why do you think John went to such great lengths to establish the fact that Jesus was with God in the beginning?

Why does John want us to not only know Jesus was *with God* but also that He *is God*?

2. Read **John 1:2 (p. 1127)**. Why does John repeat himself in **John 1:2**?

3. Read **John 1:3 (p. 1127)**. What things did Jesus Christ create or make?

If that statement is true (And it is!), who created you & me?

Why is that such an important truth for us to own & understand?

4. Read **John 1:4 (p. 1127)**. What two attributes of Christ are highlighted in this verse?

What interesting discovery did researchers at Northwestern University find when a sperm cell fertilizes an egg and life begins?

How does this affirm what John said about Jesus in this verse?

5. Read **John 1:5 (p. 1127)**. Why should **John 1:5** encourage us greatly even when we still see so much darkness in this world?
  
6. Read **John 5:24 (p. 1133)**. How could this verse help a believer struggling with the reality of a doctor's report promising death was near at hand?
  
7. Read **2 Corinthians 1:21-22 (p. 1226)**. What do these verses promise to those who have received Jesus Christ as their Lord & Savior?
  
8. How does contributing to a ministry which feeds the hungry or brings clean water to a village show a high regard for the sanctity of life?
  
9. What will you remember most from this message?