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John 8:28 **So Jesus said, "When you have lifted** up the Son of Man, then you will know that I am [the one I claim to be] and that I do nothing on my own but speak just what the Father has taught me.

What does it mean to be a child of God?

John 8:31 To the Jews who had believed him, Jesus said, "If you hold to my teaching, you are really my disciples. ³² Then you will know the truth, and the truth will set you free."

John 8:34 Jesus replied, "I tell you the truth, everyone who sins is a slave to sin." Now a slave has no permanent place in the family, but a son belongs to it forever. So if the Son sets you free, you will be free indeed.

John 8:39b "If you were Abraham's children," said Jesus, "then you would do the things Abraham did. ⁴⁰ As it is, you are determined to kill me, a man who has told you the truth that I heard from God. (44) You belong to your father, the devil, and you want to carry out your father's desire.

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Light of the World

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Freedom from condemnation, darkness, self-deception The woman caught in adultery

John 8:2 At dawn he appeared again in the temple courts, where all the people gathered around him, and he sat down to teach them. The teachers of the law and the Pharisees brought in a woman caught in adultery. They made her stand before the group and said to Jesus, "Teacher, this woman was caught in the act of adultery.

John 8:5 In the Law Moses commanded us to stone such women. What do you say?" ⁶ They were using this question as a trap, in order to have a basis for accusing him.

John 8:6b But Jesus bent down and started to write on the ground with his finger.

John 8:7 When they kept on questioning him, he straightened up and said to them, "If any one of you is without sin, let him be the first to throw a stone at her."

John 8:8 Again he stooped down and wrote on the ground.

John 8:9 At this, those who heard began to go away one at a time, the older ones first, until only Jesus was left, with the woman still standing there.

John 8:10 Jesus straightened up and asked her, "Woman, where are they? Has no one condemned you?"

John 8:11 "No one, sir," she said. "Then neither do I condemn you," Jesus declared. "Go now and leave your life of sin."	c. Light gives b. Psalms 27:1 <u>The LORD is my light</u> and my salvationwhom shall I fear? The LORD is the stronghold of my lifeof whom shall I be afraid? ⁴ One thing I ask of the LORD, this is what I seek: that I may dwell in the house of the LORD all the days of my life, to gaze upon the beauty of the LORD and to seek him in his temple.
3 ways of dealing with our sin. • S way:	
• <u>L</u> way	d. Light represents p 1 Jn. 1:5b God is light; in him there is no darkness at all.
• <u>J</u> way.	e. Light represents h Micah 7:8 Do not gloat over me, my enemy! Though I have fallen, I will rise. Though I sit in darkness, the LORD will be my light.
Who is Jesus? Light of the world John 8:12 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." a. Light overcomes d Isaiah 9:2 The people walking in darkness have seen a great light; on those living in the land of the shadow of death a light has dawned.	■ f. Light represents the removal of s and the miracle of redemption and dignity. Micah 7:9 Because I have sinned against him, I will bear the LORD's wrath, until he pleads my case and establishes my right. He will bring me out into the light; I will see his righteousness.
b. Light gives 1 John 1:4 In him was life, and that life was the light of men. 5 The light shines in the darkness, but the darkness has not understood it.	g. Light represents t 2 Corinthians 4:6 For God, who said, "Let light shine out of darkness," made his light shine in our hearts to give us the light of the knowledge of the glory of God in the face of Christ.