



## Let There Be Light, Week 1 December 1 & 2

**Speaker:** Mark Batterson

**Scripture:** Genesis 1:1-5, Isaiah 58:8, Malachi 4:2

### Sermon Overview

If you find yourself in a dark place, Pastor Mark shares four helpful thoughts: 1) it's always darkest before dawn 2) widen your aperture 3) live in day-tight compartments 4) let your light shine.

### Sermon Series Questions:

1. During this season of Advent, how are you shining your light?
2. What new spiritual practices or rhythms can you try this week to prepare and focus more on Jesus?

### Sermon Specific Questions:

1. Pastor Mark shared how God uses opposition to create growth or blessing. How has God used adversity to create a season of growth or time of blessing?
2. How do you need to widen or change your aperture (focus)?
3. "Do what is clearly at hand, not dimly in the distance." To live more in the present, what are practices you need to start or continue, in order to let go of dead yesterday's and unborn tomorrows?
4. In a season of expectations, events, and excitement, how can we make sure we are more known for what we are for, than we are against?
5. Who in your life needs the light to come on this Christmas season? Who has "lost the twinkle in their eye", and how can you share light with that person?