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I love early mornings when sunlight first comes up over the eastern sky. But if you've ever had the experience of the sun suddenly shining into your eyes (like when you turn westward while the sun is going down), it's not so pleasant.

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Most people wince when light is shined in their eyes. Jesus is presented here as being "the light of men" and "shining in darkness". But the world cries out, "Turn off that light!" How can Jesus enlighten your life and how will you respond to Him?

The Light was Represented (vss. 6-8)

The Messenger John- John the Baptist

Sent from God

1st prophet to speak in 400 years

Last OT prophet, 1st NT evangelist (Is. 40:3,
Mal 3:1)

Born Miraculously

Filled with Holy Spirit from womb

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Greatest person who ever lived Mt. 11:11

Performed the greatest job ever

The Mission of John- telling people to step into
the light

Witness John the apostle summons to court -
John the Baptist is the first of 8 witnesses in the
book.

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Light - metaphor

Physically, speaks for God's Glory, the heavens declare the glory of God. Jesus embodies the glory of God in human form. Heb 1:3

Intellectually, speaks of knowledge of God, ultimate knowledge, omniscience

Morally, speaks of holiness - unapproachable light, morally perfect, pure, holy

The Light was Rejected (vss. 9-11)

By His Own Creation

Didn't recognize Him

Consistently get the identity of Christ Wrong

In the past

(John 7 good man, deceiver

Mt. 16, John the Baptist, Elijah, Jeremiah,
prophet,

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John 6 earthly king,

Luke 23 tax evader,

John 10 has a demon

Mark 3 out of his mind

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In the present

magician, zealot, guru, world traveler,
husband of Mary Magdalene,
illiterate from low caste of artisans,
code name for hallucinogenic mushroom,
resurrection a result of alien cloning.

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By His Own Clan

own (masculine referring to his people)

Talmud (illegitimate son of Mary, Panthera
magical arts)

shouted "Crucify Him!"

The Hand he created drove nails into His hands
and nailed Him to the cross.

The Light was Received (vss. 12-13)

By His Own Clan

The world didn't want Him, the nation didn't
want him, do you?

Became God's Children

receive/believe

Not born a child of God, become one

The Light was Received (vss. 12-13)

Born again John 3:16

For God so loved the world, that He gave His only begotten Son, that whoever believes in Him shall not perish, but have eternal life.

Born of God

Majority is wrong

Minority receive Him

The Light was Received (vss. 12-13)

1 John 5:19-20

¹⁹ We know that we are of God, and that the whole world lies in *the power of* the evil one.

²⁰ And we know that the Son of God has come, and has given us understanding so that we may know Him who is true; and we are in Him who is true, in His Son Jesus Christ. This is the true God and eternal life.