Simple Christmas 4 – Christmas Light

Simple Christmas Bumper

Welcome to Redemption Church. Merry Christmas everyone! Thank you for joining us on this Christmas day.

I hope you have been living out a simple Christmas season.

We feel like this season has become far too complex and hectic. And we are suggesting that we enjoy a simple Christmas this year.

Simple Christmas

This is #KeepItSimpleSeason.

We have talked about a simple peace, a simple joy, and finding your why...

Today on this Christmas day I want to talk to you about a simple Light.

Simple Light

We need to understand that 0 Jesus is the light of the world. We need to know this well beyond the Holiday.

Light is important to life.

Light is one of those things that we take for granted until it is gone...

LIGHTS OUT

Enchanted Rock story.

Enchanted Rock is a geological marvel located just north of Fredericksburg Tx.

It is 425 foot rock formation of red Texas granite...

Jesus came to a dark world...

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A world filled with... Murder, hatred, greed, sickness, death...

Genesis 1:2-3 (NIV) 2 Now the earth was formless and empty, darkness was over the surface of the deep, and the Spirit of God was hovering over the waters. 3 And God said, "Let there be light," and there was light.

Isaiah 9:2 (NIV) The people walking in darkness have seen a great light; on those living in the land of deep darkness a light has dawned.

Isaiah 9:6 (NIV) For to us a child is born, to us a son is given, and the government will be on his shoulders. And he will be called Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace.

John 1:4 (NIV) 4 In him was life, and that life was the light of all mankind.

Simple Light

Jesus came to a dark world.

The only thing that can push back the darkness is light.

Do you have any light?

MUSICIANS

John 1:5 (NIV) And the light shineth in darkness; and the darkness comprehended it not.

The Greek word for comprehend is used both literally and figuratively here as APPREHEND.

The darkness could not apprehend the light mentally.. Could not understand it.

Nor could the darkness control this light of Jesus... Religion has tried to control this light but it cannot.

Darkness could not extinguish this light. Herod tried, Caesar tried, the Pharisees tried, and people still try today.

But the light still shines.

Let's push back some darkness.

What a relief it was when someone turned my flashlight back on in that dark cave...