



## Living in the Light | Week 1 Worship Resource

### **Call to Worship**

Leader: People of God, let us gather our hearts and minds in worship as we seek an encounter with the living God this day!

**All: God we lift our hearts today, longing to hear from you, to be blessed by you, and filled more with your Spirit.**

Leader: Let us ready our spirits, for God to change and renew us today.

**All: Make us over oh God, change our hearts, fix our minds, that your light would shine through us today and every day.**

### **Prayer:**

Loving God, thank you for grace and mercy that gives us chances time and time again to be more like you and draw closer to you. Thank you being a generous, loving, tenderhearted, forgiving God. Through your word and our worship today, may we be called to reflect these holy characteristics more and more, that the world, through us, might see you. In Christ we pray, Amen.

### **Prayer of Confession:**

Holy and Forgiving God, we confess that we have not always done what it is right. We have not always reflected you in word and deed. There have been times we have been quick to anger, slow to forgive, and lacked mercy for those who are just as imperfect as us.

Give us a mind to not stay that way. To put away bad habits. To let go of things that block our light from shining. And to be willing to check ourselves regularly, to make sure we are imitating you in all that we do. Ignite your spirit within us and cleanse us from all unrighteousness. In Christ we pray, Amen.

### **Words of Assurance:**

Friends, Christ loves us and offered himself as a sacrifice for us, so that each time we mess up, He is faithful and just to forgive us and cleanse us once again. So, go forth forgiven and seek to sin no more.

### **Hymn Suggestions:**

UMH #349 – Turn Your Eyes Upon Jesus  
UMH #585 – This Little Light Of Mine

### **Contemporary Suggestions:**

Waymaker - #7115744  
Here I Am to Worship - #3266032