Jesus spoke to them again, saying,
"I am the light of the world.
Whoever follows me will not walk in darkness,
but will have the light of life."
So the Pharisees said to him,
"You testify on your own behalf, so your testimony cannot be verified."
Jesus answered and said to them,
"Even if I do testify on my own behalf, my testimony can be verified, because I know where I came from and where I am going. But you do not know where I come from or where I am going. You judge by appearances, but I do not judge anyone. And even if I should judge, my judgment is valid, because I am not alone, but it is I and the Father who sent me. Even in your law it is written that the testimony of two men can be verified. I testify on my behalf and so does the Father who sent me."
So they said to him, "Where is your father?"
Jesus answered, "You know neither me nor my Father. If you knew me, you would know my Father also."
He spoke these words
while teaching in the treasury in the temple area. 
But no one arrested him, because his hour had not yet come.

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**Our Scripture Reflection**

What did those stubborn, hard-headed and hard-hearted Pharisees have to lose? The way they were practicing their religion and living their lives indicated that they were miserable. They had no good arguments against Jesus and the one’s they used against Him were petty attacks on His person. Jesus truly was the Light but they chose darkness. How can Jesus do any of us any good unless we believe in Him and commit to following His way?

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**Food for your Journey**

We are the light bulbs. Our job is to remain screwed in.

--Desmond Tutu.

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**A Prayer from the Heart**

Dear God, There is so much darkness in this world. So many people try to go it their own way and they end up lost or in trouble. But You sent Your Son to be our Light and all we have to do is follow Him. Please give the Grace to do so faithfully. Amen