



# Talk 3



These talks are short, snappy and presented in bullet-point format to help those who might not have the time, resources and experiences to develop their own talks.

It may be that you have your own talks that would work equally well or that would better suit your purpose.

If you have used a talk that has worked well for Young People's Sunday, we would love to hear about it and put it on this web site if you were willing.

## In The Light

This talk is based on the reading from 1 John 2:9- 17 and it starts asking people to live in the light, or to live our lives as God intended. In the reading the writer writes to different groups of people. He addresses Children, saying, '**Children**, I am writing you, because you have known the Father'.

He addresses parents and adults saying, '**Adults**, I am writing you, because you have known the one who was there from the beginning'.

He addresses young people saying, '**Young people**, I am writing you, because you are strong. God's message is firm in your hearts, and you have defeated the evil one'.

One of the things I love about the passage is how everyone is valued, and how, if we are going to live in the light, we need one another. It isn't the adults that are just being talked to or just the children. So, I want to throw this open, and try and include you all in the process.

**Children**, I am writing you, because you have known the Father.

CAN YOU DRAW A PICTURE OF GOD AS THE FATHER?

**Adults**, I am writing you, because you have known the one who was there from the beginning.

HOW AWARE ARE YOU THAT GOD HAS BEEN PRESENT WITH YOU SINCE THE BEGINNING OF YOUR LIFE? IF YOU CONSIDER YOURSELF A CHRISTIAN, WHAT EXAMPLES DO YOU HAVE OF GOD BEING WITH YOU BEFORE YOU CAME TO FAITH?

**Young people**, I am writing you, because you are strong. God's message is firm in your hearts, and you have defeated the evil one.

GODS MESSAGE IS IN YOUR HEARTS WHAT DO YOU THINK GOD IS SAYING TO US?

Then get feedback from the different groups.

This talk goes well with the resource, 'Bingo Church' which can be found in the Miscellany section of the YPS web site - 'Misc 1'.

Visit the other resources on the YPS web site for prayers, ideas, dramas and songs that may fit in the service.