I am the light of the world.  
Whoever follows me will never walk in darkness,  
but will have the light of life.

John 8:12  
(NIV 1984)
Puppet Skit

**Chatter:** (Looks around at class, teacher, and Melody.) Can I tell you something? Sometimes I feel yucky inside when I hear people talk about dying. I don’t like to think about dying. Sometimes I even feel scared.

**Teacher:** Sometimes I feel that way too, Chatter.

**Melody:** Me too! But then I think about peas.

**C:** (Looks surprised and puzzled.) Why do you think about peas?

**M:** Because I don’t like them. I feel yucky inside when I think about eating them.

**C:** Me too. But my mom and dad always make me have some before I can have dessert.

**M:** My parents do that too. And the only way I can get myself to eat peas is by thinking, “Dessert will taste good. Dessert will taste good.” When I stop thinking about the peas and instead think about the yummy dessert that will come next, I stop feeling yucky inside. It’s like that with dying. When I stop thinking about dying and instead think about Jesus giving me life in heaven, then I don’t feel yucky or scared anymore. I just feel happy to know that I will have life in heaven with Jesus forever.

**C:** I get it! Feeling yucky or scared about dying is like feeling yucky about eating peas. But thinking about the yummy dessert is like thinking about life in heaven with Jesus. I’m going to try to remember that when I’m feeling scared about dying. Thanks, Melody, for helping me out. You’re a great friend!

**M:** You’re welcome, Chatter! Now let’s go and see if my mom will let us have some of the yummy cookies she just made. (*Speaks to children.*) Good-bye, everyone!

**T and Students:** Good-bye!