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4th Sunday of Lent

Lectionary Year B

Scripture: [John 3:14-21](#) [**Summary:** *Jesus is a light that helps us see God*]

Supplies Needed: No supplies needed

ASK (a.k.a [The On-Ramp](#))

- Good morning!
- Have you ever played the game, “Made you look!” ?
- Here’s how it works – I point over there, for instance, and say, “look at those kangaroos! Do you see those kangaroos? Right over there by the kittens?”
- And then, when you look over there, I’ll say, “Made you look!”
- Or, I might point at your shirt, here, and say “Oh no! You’ve got something on your shirt!”
- Then, when you look down, I would tap you on the your nose or chin and say, “Made you look!”
- Have you ever played that game?
- What do you think – are you supposed to look or not in that game? (No....)
- You are right – you are not supposed to look. Because if you look that means you tricked by the other person, right?

TELL (a.k.a [The Freeway](#))

- In today's scripture passage, we hear that Jesus is like a light that helps us to better see God and ourselves.
- In other words, Jesus “makes us look.”
- But, Jesus does not trick us, like the person in the game does.
- Instead, Jesus *invites* us to look, which means we have a choice.

SHARE the Good News (a.k.a. *The Destination*)

- So, if we say yes to Jesus' invitation, then we will see how we can better receive God's healing love.
- Which means we will have *more* of God's healing love
- And if we have more of God's healing love, then we have more of God's healing love to *share* with those who are around us.
- And that's the good news for today.
- Let's pray. This is a repeat-after-me prayer.

CLOSING Prayer

Dear God,

Dear God,

Thank you for Jesus...

Thank you for Jesus...

...who helps us...

...who helps us...

...see you better.

...see you better.

Amen