

CHRIST THE TRUE LIGHT

God is the Light

- “The Lord is my light and my salvation; Whom shall I fear? The Lord is the defense of my life; Whom shall I dread? When evildoers came upon me to devour my flesh, My adversaries and my enemies, they stumbled and fell. Though a host encamp against me, My heart will not fear; Though war arise against me, In spite of this I shall be confident.” – Psalms 27:1-3

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- “For with You is the fountain of life; In Your **light** we see **light**.” – Psalms 36:9
- “O send out Your **light** and Your truth, let them lead me; Let them bring me to Your holy hill and to Your dwelling places.” – Psalms 43:3
- “Your word is a lamp to my feet and a **light** to my path.” – Psalms 119:105
- “Oh that I were as in months gone by, as in the days when God watched over me; when His lamp shone over my head, and by His **light** I walked through darkness ...” – Job 29:2-3

Jesus is the Light

- “But there will be no *more* gloom for her who was in anguish; in earlier times He treated the land of Zebulun and the land of Naphtali with contempt, but later on He shall make *it* glorious, by the way of the sea, on the other side of Jordan, Galilee of the Gentiles. The people who walk in darkness will see a great **light**; those who live in a dark land, the **light** will shine on them.” – Isaiah 9:1-2

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- “Arise, shine; for your **light** has come, and the glory of the Lord has risen upon you. For behold, darkness will cover the earth and deep darkness the peoples; but the Lord will rise upon you and His glory will appear upon you. Nations will come to your **light**, and kings to the brightness of your rising.” – Isaiah 60:1-3

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- “But as for me, I will watch expectantly for the Lord; I will wait for the God of my salvation. My God will hear me. Do not rejoice over me, O my enemy. Though I fall I will rise; Though I dwell in darkness, the Lord is a **light** for me. I will bear the indignation of the Lord Because I have sinned against Him, until He pleads my case and executes justice for me. He will bring me out to the **light**, And I will see His righteousness.” – Micah 7:7-9

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- “And there was a man in Jerusalem whose name was Simeon; and this man was righteous and devout, looking for the consolation of Israel; and the Holy Spirit was upon him. And it had been revealed to him by the Holy Spirit that he would not see death before he had seen the Lord’s Christ. And he came in the Spirit into the temple; and when the parents brought in the child Jesus, to carry out for Him the custom of the Law, then he took Him into his arms, and blessed God, and said, “Now Lord, You are releasing Your bond-servant to depart in peace, according to Your word; for my eyes have seen Your salvation, which You have prepared in the presence of all peoples, a **Light** of revelation to the Gentiles, and the glory of Your people Israel.” – Luke 2:25-32

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- “In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. He was in the beginning with God. All things came into being through Him, and apart from Him nothing came into being that has come into being. In Him was life, and the life was the **Light** of men. The **Light** shines in the darkness, and the darkness did not comprehend it. There came a man sent from God, whose name was John. He came as a witness, to testify about the **Light**, so that all might believe through him. He was not the **Light**, but he came to testify about the **Light**. There was the true **Light** which, coming into the world, enlightens every man. He was in the world, and the world was made through Him, and the world did not know Him.” –John 1:1-10

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- “This is the judgment, that the **Light** has come into the world, and men loved the darkness rather than the **Light**, for their deeds were evil. For everyone who does evil hates the **Light**, and does not come to the **Light** for fear that his deeds will be exposed. But he who practices the truth comes to the **Light**, so that his deeds may be manifested as having been wrought in God.” – John 3:19-21

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- “Then Jesus again spoke to them, saying, ‘I am the **Light** of the world; he who follows Me will not walk in the darkness, but will have the **Light** of life.’” – John 8:12
- “While I am in the world, I am the **Light** of the world.” – John 9:5

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- “So Jesus said to them, ‘For a little while longer the **Light** is among you. Walk while you have the **Light**, so that darkness will not overtake you; he who walks in the darkness does not know where he goes. While you have the **Light**, believe in the **Light**, so that you may become sons of **Light**.’” – John 12: 35-36
- “I have come as **Light** into the world, so that everyone who believes in Me will not remain in darkness.” – John 12:46

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- “Beloved, I am not writing a new commandment to you, but an old commandment which you have had from the beginning; the old commandment is the word which you have heard. On the other hand, I am writing a new commandment to you, which is true in Him and in you, because the darkness is passing away and the true **Light** is already shining. The one who says he is in the **Light** and yet hates his brother is in the darkness until now. The one who loves his brother abides in the **Light** and there is no cause for stumbling in him. But the one who hates his brother is in the darkness and walks in the darkness, and does not know where he is going because the darkness has blinded his eyes.” – 1 John 2:7-11

The Gospel is the Light

- “And even if our gospel is veiled, it is veiled to those who are perishing, in whose case the god of this world has blinded the minds of the unbelieving so that they might not see the **light** of the gospel of the glory of Christ, who is the image of God. For we do not preach ourselves but Christ Jesus as Lord, and ourselves as your bond-servants for Jesus' sake. For God, who said, ‘**Light** shall shine out of darkness,’ is the One who has shone in our hearts to give the **Light** of the knowledge of the glory of God in the face of Christ.” – II Corinthians 4:3-6

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- “Paul and Barnabas spoke out boldly and said, “It was necessary that the word of God be spoken to you first; since you repudiate it and judge yourselves unworthy of eternal life, behold, we are turning to the Gentiles. For so the Lord has commanded us, ‘I have placed You as a **light** for the Gentiles, that you may bring salvation to the end of the earth.’” – Acts 13:46-47

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- “So, having obtained help from God, I stand to this day testifying both to small and great, stating nothing but what the Prophets and Moses said was going to take place; that the Christ was to suffer, and that by reason of His resurrection from the dead He would be the first to proclaim **light** both to the Jewish people and to the Gentiles.” – Acts 26:22-23

We are the Light

- “Do all things without grumbling or disputing; so that you will prove yourselves to be blameless and innocent, children of God above reproach in the midst of a crooked and perverse generation, among whom you appear as **lights** in the world, holding fast the word of life, so that in the day of Christ I will have reason to glory because I did not run in vain nor toil in vain.” – Philippians 2:14-16

We are the Light

- “... For you were formerly darkness, but now you are **Light** in the Lord; walk as children of **Light** (for the fruit of the **Light** *consists* in all goodness and righteousness and truth), trying to learn what is pleasing to the Lord. Do not participate in the unfruitful deeds of darkness, but instead even expose them; for it is disgraceful even to speak of the things which are done by them in secret. But all things become visible when they are exposed by the **light**, for everything that becomes visible is **light**. For this reason it says, ‘Awake, sleeper, and arise from the dead, and Christ will shine on you.’” – Ephesians 5:8-14

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- “You are the **light** of the world. A city on a hill cannot be hidden. Neither do people **light** a lamp and put it under a bowl. Instead they put it on its stand, and it gives **light** to everyone in the house. In the same way, let your **light** shine before men, that they may see your good deeds and praise your Father in heaven.” – Matthew 5:14-16

God’s Plan to Save Man

- Hear the gospel Romans 10:14-17
- Believe Hebrews 11:6, Ephesians 2:8-10
- Repent Luke 13:3, Acts 17:30
- Confess Romans 10:10, Matthew 10:32-33
- Be Baptized Mark 16:16, Acts 2:38
- Remain Obedient Hebrews 5:9, 1 Corinthians 15:1-2

God’s Warning

- “For in the case of those who have once been **enlightened** and have tasted of the heavenly gift and have been made partakers of the Holy Spirit, and have tasted the good word of God and the powers of the age to come, and then have fallen away, it is impossible to renew them again to repentance, since they again crucify to themselves the Son of God and put Him to open shame.” – Hebrews 6:4-5

God’s Warning

- “For if we go on sinning willfully after receiving the knowledge of the truth, there no longer remains a sacrifice for sins, but a terrifying expectation of judgment and **THE FURY OF A FIRE WHICH WILL CONSUME THE ADVERSARIES**. Anyone who has set aside the Law of Moses dies without mercy on the testimony of two or three witnesses. How much severer punishment do you think he will deserve who has trampled under foot the Son of God, and has regarded as unclean the blood of the covenant by which he was sanctified, and has insulted the Spirit of grace? For we know Him who said, **‘VENGEANCE IS MINE, I WILL REPAY.’** And again, **‘THE LORD WILL JUDGE HIS PEOPLE.’** It is a terrifying thing to fall into the hands of the living God.” – Hebrews 10:23-31

God’s Solution

- “This is the message we have heard from Him and announce to you, that God is **Light**, and in Him there is no darkness at all. If we say that we have fellowship with Him and yet walk in the darkness, we lie and do not practice the truth; but if we walk in the **Light** as He Himself is in the **Light**, we have fellowship with one another, and the blood of Jesus His Son cleanses us from all sin. If we say that we have no sin we are deceiving ourselves and the truth is not in us. If we confess our sins, He is faithful and righteous to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness.” – 1 John 1:5-9