



Light

IN THE DARKNESS  
YOU ARE THE LIGHT! | JOHN 8:12

Fellowship   
CHURCH

*You are the light of the world. A city set on a hill cannot be hidden. Nor do people light a lamp and put it under a basket, but on a stand, and it gives light to all in the house.*

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**MATTHEW 5:14-15**

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*“The people who walked in darkness have seen a great light; those who dwelt in a land of deep darkness, on them has light shone.”*

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**ISAIAH 9:2**

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*Again Jesus spoke to them, 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 are bearing witness about yourself; your testimony is not true.”*

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**JOHN 8:12-13**

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# *Sukkot* - Feast of Tabernacles/Booths

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- Instituted in Leviticus 23
- Jews are to remember how God brought them out of Egyptian slavery and provided for them.
- Put up small tent-like structures (tabernacles) outside their homes and dwell in them for one whole week.

*Then the Lord said to Moses, “Stretch out your hand toward heaven, that there may be darkness over the land of Egypt, a darkness to be felt.” So Moses stretched out his hand toward heaven, and there was pitch darkness in all the land of Egypt three days. They did not see one another, nor did anyone rise from his place for three days...*

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**EXODUS 10:21-23A**

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# Darkness

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- Darkness is all around us (1 John 2:16-17)
- We are in darkness (Rom. 3:23)
- Darkness is everything that is opposed to God (Prov. 4:19)
- Darkness is the result of sin (John 3:19)
- This darkness also dwells in the minds and hearts of sinners:
  - *“They are darkened in their understanding, alienated from the life of God because of the ignorance that is in them, due to their hardness of heart.” (Eph. 4:18)*

*So Moses stretched out his hand toward heaven, and there was pitch darkness in all the land of Egypt three days. They did not see one another, nor did anyone rise from his place for three days, but all the people of Israel had light where they lived.*

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**EXODUS 10:22-23**

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*And the Lord went before them by day in a pillar of cloud to lead them along the way, and by night in a pillar of fire to give them light, that they might travel by day and by night...*

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**EXODUS 13:21-22**

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*Again Jesus spoke to them, saying, “**I am the light of the world.** Whoever follows me will not walk in darkness, but will have the light of life.*

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**JOHN 8:12**

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To the darkness of falsehood **He is the light of Truth.**

To the darkness of ignorance **He is the light of wisdom.**

To the darkness of sin, **He is the light of holiness.**

To the darkness of sorrow, **He is the light of joy.**

To the darkness of death, **He is the light of life itself.**

*I am sending you to them to open their eyes so **that they may turn from darkness to light** and from the power of Satan to God, that they may receive forgiveness of sins and a share among those who are sanctified by faith...*

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**ACTS 26:17-18**

**God sent Jesus to bring the people  
out of darkness into THE LIGHT.**

*Call them all together—men, women, children, and **the foreigners living in your towns**—so they may hear this Book of Instruction and learn to fear the Lord your God...*

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**DEUTERONOMY 31:12A**

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**JOHN 8:12**

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FOLLOWERS OF JESUS ARE

*light-receivers*

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**MATTHEW 5:14-16**

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**MATTHEW 5:14-16**



CHARLES SPURGEON

*The object of our shining is not that men may see how good we are, nor even see us at all, but that they may see grace in us and God in us, and cry, 'What a Father these people must have.'*



*The Moon does not make its own light* —“moonlight” is actually reflected sunlight. From here on Earth, the sunlit part of the Moon usually looks bright, almost white. This is an illusion. The brightness of the Sun’s reflected light makes it difficult to see the Moon’s actual color from a distance. A closer look reveals that much of the Moon’s scenery comes in shades of dark gray, like rocks found near volcanoes on Earth. The Moon has volcanic rock from ancient lava flows — and these dark-colored materials absorb most of the visible light that reaches them.

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*Thanks to this relative closeness, a full moon directs enough sunlight towards our planet to cast sharp shadows on the ground. Even a small amount of reflected sunshine is enough to make the Moon seem brilliant from our perspective on Earth.*

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*“For at one time you were **darkness**,”* (Eph. 5:8a)

*“He has delivered us from the **domain of darkness**...”*  
(Col. 1:13a)

*“The people **dwelling in darkness**...”* (Matt. 4:16a)

*“And I know that **nothing good lives in me**, that is, in my sinful nature. I want to do what is right, but I can’t.”*  
(Rom. 7:18)

*In the same region there were shepherds out in the field, keeping watch over their flock by night. And an angel of the Lord appeared to them, and the glory of the Lord shone around them, and they were filled with great fear. And the angel said to them, “Fear not, for behold, I bring you good news of great joy that will be for all the people. **For unto you is born this day in the city of David a Savior, who is Christ the Lord.**”*

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**LUKE 2:8-11**

*...delivered us from the domain of darkness and transferred us to the kingdom of his beloved Son, in whom we have redemption, the forgiveness of sins.*

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**COLOSSIANS 1:13-14**

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*For at one time you were darkness, but now you are light in the Lord. **Walk as children of light.***

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**EPHESIANS 5:8**

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*You*

**are** the light of the world because  
you **have** the Light of the world