

Jesus is the Light

John 8:12

Introduction

- Light is vital to growth in life.
- Sunlight powers everything in nature.
- It is the important part of plant photosynthesis.
- Plants use sunlight to produce food and nourishment.
- Plants, in turn, pass on their energy for animals to consume.
- Without a consistent light source, plants will die quickly.

Introduction

- Humans absorb light through their eyes and skin.
- Light also powers the mitochondria in our cells.
- Humans cells also emit light (Bio-photons).
- Humans need light exposure each and every day to be healthy.
- Earth without light would be cold and uninhabitable.
- Light even affects the mental and emotional state of humans.
- Light also produces Vitamin D in humans, which helps balance calcium.

Christ is the Light

- Gen. 1:3-God said “Let there be light, and there was light.”
- Light was created by God, to set the cycle of nature in motion.
- God is also light.
- John 8:12-Christ tells us the He is the Light of the World.
- He is the originator and sustainer of true light.
- Christ came to the light the path of man towards Almighty God.

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- John 1: 1-10.
- In Christ is both life AND light.
- The source of true life and light is the Word.
- True light consists of truth, knowledge, and holiness.
- Darkness consist of sin, ignorance, and error.
- Light then shined into darkness.

The world rejected the Light

- Ex. Turning on room light in the morning,
- Rolling over a log in the forest.
- Light is always in opposition to darkness.
- Light has no fellowship with darkness.
- Light also removes darkness.
- Light also shows us the way in a world of darkness.

Christ our Light

- 1. Jesus is our nightlight,
- Many a child need a nightlight.
- Keeps us from bumping into things in the night.
- John 3:9-21.
- Christ was the light in a world backdrop of sin and hatred.
- His teachings pierced through traditions and false teaching.

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2. Christ is our spotlight.
 - He illuminates areas of life that need improvement and repentance.
 - John 11:10-“But if one walks in the night, he stumbles because the light is not in him.”
 - Heb. 4:12.
 - Christ helps us to discern truth and error in the world and in us.

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3. Christ is also our candlelight.
 - Psalms 23:4
 - We often face dark, troublesome times in our lives,
 - Sickness, depression, anxiety, persecution, etc.
 - Using Christ as our light helps us to chase away the shadows that scare us.
 - The candlestick/candlelight also represents the church in Revelations.

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3. Christ is also our reflected Light.
 - Matt. 5:4-16.
 - The moon reflects light from the sun.
 - We are commanded to reflect the light from the SON.
 - We must seek to become like the Light every day.
 - Eph. 5:8-“For you were once in darkness, but now you are the light in the Lord.”

Let Your Light Shine

- We must show the world that we are in the Light to attract them to the light.
- We may be the only Jesus that men see.
- We are to reflect His character.
- His mission.
- His love.
- His obedience.
- His death, burial, and resurrection.

Don't Hide the Light

- We are to seek and to save the lost.
- We often leave out “To seek”
- This the heart of evangelism.
- Must be willing to “Go into the highways and byways and compel men to come to Jesus.
- We must share in His sufferings if we want to experience His glory.

Shine Your Light

- On friends.
- On family.
- On strangers.
- On enemies.
- On a world of sin and darkness.
- On a world in the grips of Satan and his angels.