

To Enjoy and Express the Freeing Radical Love of Jesus



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John 8:12-30 July 24, 2022 Light of the World



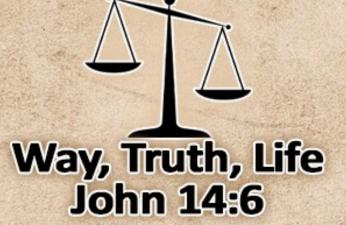
Light of the World John 8:12



Bread of Life John 6:35

Resurrection & Life John 11:25







Good Shepherd John 10:11



John 8:12-30

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." 13 So the Pharisees said to him, "You are bearing witness about yourself; your testimony is not true." ¹⁴ Jesus answered, "Even if I do bear witness about myself, my testimony is true, for I know where I came from and where I am going, but you do not know where I come from or where I am going. 15 You judge according to the flesh; I judge no one. 16 Yet even if I do judge, my judgment is true, for it is not I alone who

judge, but I and the Father who sent me.

¹⁷ In your Law it is written that the testimony of two people is true. ¹⁸ I am the one who bears witness about myself, and the Father who sent me bears witness about me." 19 They said to him therefore, "Where is your Father?" Jesus answered, "You know neither me nor my Father. If you knew me, you would know my Father also." 20 These words he spoke in the treasury, as he taught in the temple; but no one arrested him, because his hour had not yet come.

²¹ So he said to them again, "I am going away, and you will seek me, and you will die in your sin. Where I am going, you cannot come." 22 So the Jews said, "Will he kill himself, since he says, 'Where I am going, you cannot come'?" 23 He said to them, "You are from below; I am from above. You are of this world; I am not of this world. ²⁴ I told you that you would die in your sins, for unless you believe that I am he you will die in your sins." ²⁵ So they said to him, "Who are you?" Jesus said to them, "Just what I have been telling you from the beginning.

²⁶ I have much to say about you and much to judge, but he who sent me is true, and I declare to the world what I have heard from him." ²⁷ They did not understand that he had been speaking to them about the Father. 28 So Jesus said to them, "When you have lifted up the Son of Man, then you will know that I am he, and that I do nothing on my own authority, but speak just as the Father taught me. ²⁹ And he who sent me is with me. He has not left me alone, for I always do the things that are pleasing to him." 30 As he was saying these things, many believed in him.





John 1:5
The light shines in the darkness, and the darkness has not overcome it.

Darkness

False Light

True Light





Feast of Booths, in the Treasury Week-Long Remembrance of the Wilderness

Exodus 13

²¹ 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.



4 Fire Towers 86 feet tall

Court of Women ("Treasury")

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One with the Father

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My Wilderness

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²⁸ So Jesus said to them, "When you have lifted up the Son of Man, then you will know that I am he,

Matthew 27:45

Now from the sixth hour there was darkness over all the land until the ninth hour.



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Malachi 3:2

But who can endure the day of his coming, and who can stand when he appears? For he is like a refiner's fire and like fullers' soap. ³ He will sit as a refiner and purifier of silver, and he will purify the sons of Levi and refine them like gold and silver, and they will bring offerings in righteousness to the LORD.



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Acts 9:3

Now as he went on his way, he approached Damascus, and suddenly a light from heaven shone around him. ⁴ And falling to the ground, he heard a voice saying to him, "Saul, Saul, why are you persecuting me?" ⁵ And he said, "Who are you, Lord?" And he said, "I am Jesus, whom you are persecuting."



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Psalm 119
105 Your word is a lamp to my feet
and a light to my path.
130 The unfolding of your words gives light;
it imparts understanding to the simple.



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Revelation 21

²² And I saw no temple in the city, for its temple is the Lord God the Almighty and the Lamb. ²³ And the city has no need of sun or moon to shine on it, for the glory of God gives it light, and its lamp is the Lamb. ²⁴ By its light will the nations walk, and the kings of the earth will bring their glory into it, ²⁵ and its gates will never be shut by day—and there will be no night there.



Step Into the Light

19b You know neither me nor my Father. If you knew me, you would know my Father also."

³⁰ As he was saying these things, many believed in him.

Let there be Light! And there was light.



Step Into the Light

Not walk in Darkness

Have the Light of Life

Isaiah 42:6

I am the LORD; I have called you in righteousness; I will take you by the hand and keep you; I will give you as a covenant for the people, a light for the nations.

Benediction ("good word")

A 4000 years old tradition of giving a corporate blessing over God's people.

From Revelation 22:5

And night will be no more.

They will need no light of lamp or sun, for the Lord God will be their light, and they will reign forever and ever.

Malachi 4:2
But for you who fear my name,
the sun of righteousness shall
rise with healing in its wings.
You shall go out leaping like
calves from the stall.