



THE LIGHT

John 8:12 “Whoever follows me will never walk in darkness but will have the light of life”.

Each day, the sun rises and gives us Light to: warm, illuminate, and provide growth on earth. So does Jesus, He is the Light of life. The moon and stars light up the night and serve as navigators long before GPS. In the dark, ships need navigational lights and lighthouses to avoid running into the shore. Jesus is our light to safety. Light prevents aimless drifting for ships. The Light of Jesus prevents us from spiritual drifting. Ships follow lights to ensure safe passage. We too rely on the lights for safe passage. We reach for the light-switch when we enter a dark room. Without light we cannot see.

The darkness we speak about today can be described as ignorance and wickedness. The death of Jesus pierced the darkness and gave us spiritual enlightenment. This means that His Light can pierce our ignorance and wickedness and bring clarity on what is true or false. The light of Christ is what brings clarity to complexity, certainty to doubt, forgiveness to hate. Jesus says that if we follow Him we will not walk in the darkness of ignorance and wickedness.

The Light of Jesus can touch wickedness and turn it into goodness. We all have experienced situations that were wicked and later became good. We also experience difficult situations that later become clear and simple.

Examples of the Light of Jesus:

*When scripture is difficult and later we discover how it applies to our lives.
*When forgiveness overcomes disagreement. *When goodness overcomes adversity.

Jesus says that we are children of the Light and wants us to be the Light for others: ***Examples:*** *We share His Light when we teach other about God.

*We share His Light when we do good for others. *We share His Light when we are kind, respectful and compassionate. Jesus is the Light of the world!

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