

## STUDY #1 LIGHT

When we look at light, we can learn something of the God who created it!

Here are 4 ways that light speaks of its creator!

### 1- Light speaks of a creator who is light!

Light is not just something God has made but it is an aspect of who He is.

- 1 John 1:5 God is light, and in him is no darkness at all.
- **John 8:12** I am the light of the world. Whoever follows me will not walk in darkness, but will have the light of life.
- **Psalm 27:1** The Lord is my light and my salvation; whom shall I fear?
- **James 1:17** Every good gift and every perfect gift is from above, coming down from the Father of lights.

#### When heaven interacts with earth, it is usually bright.

- Acts 9:3 Now as he went on his way, he approached Damascus, and suddenly a light from heaven shone around him.
- Acts 12:7 And behold, an angel of the Lord stood next to him, and a light shone in the cell.

#### God will be our direct light source in the New Jerusalem.

- **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. (See also 21:23-24)
- Isaiah 60:20 The Lord will be your everlasting light.

# 2- Light speaks of a creator who shines light on and through his people!

#### God's light shines for us to see and receive!

- **John 1:9** The true light, which gives light to everyone, was coming into the world. (See verses 4-13)
- **2 Corinthians 4:6** For God, who said, "Let light shine out of darkness," has shone in our hearts to give the light of the knowledge of the glory of God in the face of Jesus Christ.

#### God's light shines on us so that we might live Godly lives!

- He is the father of light, and we are the children of light. (Luke 16:8, 1 Thessalonians 5:5)
- **Ephesians 5:8** ...for at one time you were darkness, but now you are light in the Lord. Walk as children of light.
- John 3:21 But whoever does what is true comes to the light. (See verses 19-21)

#### God's light shines through us so that we can shine as a witness for Him!

- **Philippians 2:15** ...children of God without blemish in the midst of a crooked and twisted generation, among whom you shine as lights in the world.
- Matthew 5:14 You are the light of the world.
- **Matthew 5:16** ...let your light shine before others, so that they may see your good works and give glory to your Father who is in heaven.
- **Isaiah 49:6** I will make you as a light for the nations, that my salvation may reach to the end of the earth.

### 3- Light speaks of a creator by declaring his glory!

The Bible says, "God is light" not "light is God". The glory of the lights that God has created is not something to be worshipped. **These great lights are actively serving as worship leaders on an intergalactic scale.** 

- **Psalm 19:1-2** The heavens declare the glory of God, and the sky above proclaims his handiwork. Day to day pours out speech, and night to night reveals knowledge.
- **Deuteronomy 4:19** And beware lest you raise your eyes to heaven, and when you see the sun and the moon and the stars, all the host of heaven, you be drawn away and bow down to them and serve them...

#### When you are impressed, remember that there is a God who made all of it!

- **Genesis 1:3** And God said, "Let there be light," and there was light.
- **Genesis 1:14** Let there be lights in the expanse of the heavens to separate the day from the night...
- **Psalm 8:3** When I look at your heavens, the work of your fingers, the moon and the stars, which you have set in place...

## 4- Light speaks of a creator who is the ultimate contrast of evil, death, and confusion.

#### The contrast of light and darkness to portray some fundamental spiritual contrasts.

- Good & Evil (Isaiah 5:20)
- Life & Death (Job 3:20; Jeremiah 4:22-23; Ezekiel 32:9-10)
- Knowledge & Confusion (Dan 2:22; 5:11, 14; Luke 8:17; Hosea 6:5; Job 12:22)

#### Share!

If you were talking to a person who had never seen light, how would you describe it? Share an experience you have had with light that has helped you to connect with God. What is your biggest takeaway from this study?

#### Sing!

I Saw the Light, This Little Light of Mine, My Lighthouse, Turn Your Eye Upon Jesus