

The Great Light of Life

"In Him was life, and the life was the light of men."

(Jn 1:4)

Apostle John addressed God as the "true light which gives light to every man coming into the world." (v.9) Light is the essence of God's being. Light is the expression of God (2 Cor 4:16). Natural knowledge does not constitute this light that comes from knowing God. Intelligence does not comprehend divine light. Light is the outcome of divine encounters (Ps 43:3; Jn 9:5).

Divine light transmits and breathes life (zoe) into our being: "I am the light of the world. He who follows Me shall not walk in darkness, but have the light of life." (Jn 8:12). The very presence of God is light. We do not carry our own light; we are carriers of God's light, and as His presence grows within us, we begin to radiate His light (Ps 36:9).

As bearer of this light, we play a significant role in revealing His nature to the Earth (Mt 5:14-16). We are the ambassador of the gospel of grace (2 Cor 5:20-21). We are the children of light (2 Cor 6:14). This is our identity and true calling and destiny on this earth: "For you were once darkness, but now you are light in the Lord. Walk as children of light." (Eph 5:8). We must shake off the polluted lifestyle of the flesh: "Therefore, let us cast off the works of darkness, and let us put on the armour of light...put on the Lord Jesus Christ and make no provision for the flesh, to fulfill its lust." (Rom 13:12,14).

Light begets light: "Be holy for I am holy." (Lev 11:44,45). This is the essence of Christianity that glorifies God. "That you may become blameless and harmless, children of God without fault in the midst of a crooked and perverse generation, among whom you shine as lights in the world." (Phil 2:15).

Walking in His light