

## The light of the world...

Gen:1: 1 In the beginning God created the heavens and the earth. 2 The earth was without form, and void; and darkness was on the face of the deep. And the Spirit of God was hovering over the face of the waters. 3 Then God said, "Let there be light"; and there was light. 4 And God saw the light, that it was good; and God divided the light from the darkness.

Interesting the first thing the Father said was let there be light... He sent the light into a dark situation His Word went forth.

Jesus is the Word, the light of the world. Jesus is the living Word so His life expressed the truth of the word - this is astonishing.

Just as the Holy Spirit caused the Word the Father spoke to be, so He caused the scripture to be. He enabled Jesus JESUS THE LIVING WORD ...to fulfil the Word...

Is:60: arise and shine for your light has come and the glory of the Lord arises upon you. It rises upon us, we are one with Christ, the one who is the light of the world. Glory is a weight but also who God is .

I believe His glory can be seen upon us, in our eyes, lightness on our face, in the spiritual realm.

I was in a car park praying and this car, wheels screaming, shot past me and the driver was snarling at me: I noticed his reg had 666 on it.

The enemy sees His glory on us and knows we have authority in Jesus name

John:8:12 Then Jesus spoke to them again, saying, "I am the light of the world. He who follows Me shall not walk in  $\diamond$ darkness, but have the light of life." ...His life in us ...HIM IN US ...walking in His steps.

Light reveals and He came to reveal true love, love that never rejects, love that fulfills our greatest desires, never based on our actions, love that causes a life laid down.

ITS SO IMPORTANT TO KNOW THE LOVE GOD HAS FOR US (perfect love casts out fear)

The Holy Spirit gave Jesus an insight into men's hearts so that He could speak light into the situation ( the darkness) - the rich young man, hypocrisy of the Pharisees, woman at the well...

The Holy Spirit functions like the light in the Holy Place revealing the bread of life - Jesus.

WE NEED TO BE SPEAKING LIGHT INTO DARK SITUATIONS

THIS SITUATION WITH GENDER IS COMPLETELY DEMONIC ..DARK

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JESUS DECLARED THE TRUTH ABOUT HIMSELF, and about HIS SITUATION

James :3: (Passion Translation) 2 We all fail in many areas, but especially with our words. Yet if we're able to bridle the words we say we are powerful enough to control ourselves in every way, and that means our character is mature and fully developed. 3 Horses have bits and bridles in their mouths so that we can control and guide their large body. 4 And the same with mighty ships, though they are massive and driven by fierce winds, yet they are steered by a tiny rudder at the direction of the person at the helm 5 And so the tongue is a small part of the body yet it carries great power!

SO WHAT WE SAY DIRECTS OUR LIVES ....WOW

Me speaking negatively about about Vik (my wife has dementia) left me feeling hopeless.

As I declared the Word, hope and peace filled my heart (God leads her in triumph ALWAYS)

That doesn't mean we deny a problem but speak the truth, or light into the situation.

If you're fearful, first rebuke it in Jesus name then declare 'I AM AS BOLD AS LION'

IT MAY NOT HAPPEN OVERNIGHT but fruit will appear. Although we don't see it, the seed is producing fruit in our hearts (the ground for seed in parable) and after a time we will see the fruit

“First the stalk ....then the flower” a picture of the fruit

Isaiah :55:11. So shall my Word be that goes out from my mouth; it shall not return to me void, but it shall accomplish what I please, and it shall prosper in the thing for which I sent it.

If we speak the word it will produce fruit ( Holy Spirit causes the Word to be) as He Did in the beginning

Ps:91:4b..His truth shall be your shield and buckler (all round protection) but also an offensive weapon against enemy

Eph:6 tells us the sword of the Spirit (the Word) is our offensive Word against the enemy...

It is no coincidence after Jesus was anointed by the Holy Spirit, the Holy Spirit took Him into the wilderness to face the enemy and defeated Him by declaring the Word of God

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There are parallels with Jesus and Joshua: they were loved by the Father and rejected by their brothers. Their names mean the same saviour and deliverer. Both spent time in Gods presence

They both led Gods people into victory defeating the enemy, but of course there was also opposition to that victory. Matt:11:12 “the Kingdom of God suffers violence and the violent take it by force”

SO WE CANNOT BE PASSIVE

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*JOSHUA told by God to MEDITATE on His Word ( JOSHUA :1:8)*

*Means also to murmur ( continually on His lips)*

*WE HAVE AUTHORITY WHEN WE SPEAK ...me in care home as I spoke to manager a demon showed itself ...I SAID YOU PUT HER OUT ,BUT WAS SPEAKING TO A DEMON. Vicky was TAKEN TO THE ROYAL ED. but many people died soon after that IN THAT CARE HOME ...demon influenced THE MANAGERS thinking, God is always one step ahead.*

LIGHT ALSO DISPERSES THE DARKNESS...Jesus takes us from a kingdom of darkness, into HIS KINGDOM of light where darkness is not only exposed but dispersed.

\*\*\*LIGHT BRINGS REVELATION - revelation of eternal life disperses the fear of death, the revelation of righteousness frees us from guilt and judgement. Revelation of His perfect love for us (the cross) casts out fear, etc. etc. Revelation of Jesus bearing our sickness releases healing\*\*\*

THE WORD IS A LIGHT TO MY PATH - light reveals the path we are to walk on. We also need the Holy Spirit to enable us.

1 John:1:7 If we walk in the light as He is in the light we have fellowship with one another and the blood of Jesus cleanses us from all unrighteousness.

Walking in the light is walking (in Christ) in His footsteps or in obedience enabled by the Holy Spirit...

Eph:5:8. 8 For you were once darkness, but now you are light in the Lord. Walk as children of light 9 (for the fruit of the Spirit is in all goodness, righteousness, and truth), 10 finding out what is acceptable to the Lord.

The Holy Spirit enables us by releasing His fruit in our lives.

SUBMIT TO GOD AND RESIST THE DEVIL

(We need to be Holy or set apart from darkness ie the kingdom of darkness.)

WALKING IN OBEDIENCE

Jesus dispersed darkness wherever He went, bringing teaching, revelation, righteous thinking and actions, physical and spiritual sight. (LIGHT)

HE REPLACED ANY DARKNESS WITH THE LIGHT OF THE KINGDOM ie HEALING ETC.

When we have a revelation of the truth the darkness is exposed, often we need to speak the truth until it manifests, changing our thinking and the direction of our lives (James ...tongue is the rudder for our lives)

Jesus rescued us from the Kingdom of darkness and placed us into the Kingdom of light.

Colossians 1:12, 13.

When Jesus spoke (LIGHT TRUTH REVELATION) the kingdom of darkness was exposed and dispersed ...healing. Acts :10:38.

If we walk in the light as He is in the light we have fellowship with one another and the blood of Jesus cleanses us from all unrighteousness. (1 Jn 1:7) Walking in the light is walking in His footsteps or in obedience. This happens when we put our trust in Christ Jesus as Saviour. Jesus takes us out of the dark kingdom into the Gods Kingdom of light.

We see in 2 Cor:4:3-6 that the devil (the god of this age) has blinded the eyes of unbelievers "lest the the light of the Gospel of the glory of Christ, who is the image of God should shine on them."

God has HIS LIGHT IN US TO BE REVEALED TO THE UNSAVED ...TO REVEAL HIM IN ALL HIS BEAUTY AND TRUTH...GOD IS LIGHT AND LIVES IN US!!!!!!!

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The Word is a light to my path.

The people perish for lack of vision (understanding).

*Revelations that changed my life.*

*RIVERS OF LIVING WATER when i understood that rivers of living water, HIS PEACE, POWER, love, joy flowed through me to touch others, everything changed.*

*RIGHTEOUS BEFORE GOD when I discovered I was righteous in Gods sight (a free gift) because I believed in Jesus as Saviour and Lord, not based on my actions, I was set free.*

*THE HEART OF THE FATHER when I discovered Father God is loving, kind, merciful, patient and not watching over me waiting for a mistake, I was finally at peace...*

**I PRAY THIS IS HELPFUL TO YOU ... GOD BLESS YOU ALL**