

WE NEED LIGHT IN OUR DARK WORLD

“And God said, “Let there be light,” and there was light.”

(Gen. 1:3)

We all know the importance of light in our world. Whenever there is power outage, everybody becomes unhappy. Due to power outages, many homes have power generating plants to help offset the negative effect of darkness. This shows that many things can grind to a halt in the absence of light. That is why the first day of creation was the calling into being of God's light to shine in the dark and chaotic world. We need light in our world. Light is symbolic of vision, leadership etc.

The problem of darkness is easily solved with the introduction of light. Darkness also represents many evils; sin, disease, poverty, spiritual attacks, degradation, etc. We have spiritual darkness and physical darkness. Spiritual darkness is more serious than physical darkness in that spiritual darkness can lead to many societal evils and finally hell. The sin of Adam and Eve introduced darkness in the world. Satan is a master of darkness. That is why Jesus came into the world as Light. Jesus said, *“I am the light of the world. Whoever follows me will not walk in darkness, but will have the light of life.”* (John 8:12)

Whoever is born into this world will certainly grapple with the darkness of this world in the person of Satan. Satan tries to keep people in darkness. Darkness also means ignorance of God. He tries to keep people from knowing Jesus, the light of the world.

The Bible says that *“But if our gospel be hid, it is hid to them that are lost: 4 In whom the god of this world hath blinded the minds of them which believe not, lest the light of the glorious gospel of Christ, who is the image of God, should shine unto them.”* (2Cor. 4:3-4)

All those who do not believe in Jesus Christ are blinded by the god of this world in the person of Satan, so that they will not believe in the glorious gospel of Jesus to have the light of Christ shine in them. This is very serious. Light is knowledge.

The true light of the world is Jesus Christ: *“4 I must work the works of him that sent me, while it is day: the night cometh, when no man can work. 5 As long as I am in the world, I am the light of the world.”* (John 9:4-5)

Jesus came to work for the salvation of man. He came as the light of the world through whom people who believe would be saved. Christ's light teaches us the path of life in the world and leads us to eternal bliss. Life without light is darkness. Many people become rich and are still not happy in life because of the lack of this light. They are blind and miserable

PRAYER & CONFESSION

Lord, please continue to guide me with your light in Jesus' name.