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JOHN 1:4

Light Brings Life!

By Pastor Sabu Samuel

The whole theme of the book of John is about life and light. The word life appears 36 times in the gospel of John. In John 1:1-3 it says, “The Word was with God” and “was God,” and that “all things were made through him” This speaks about Jesus, the source of all life (eternal life). John 1:4-5, “In him was life, and the life was the light of men. The light shines in the darkness (john 1:4-5). When we turn back to the book of Genesis, we see the first utterance of God “Let there be light” Gen 1:3. There are three things light does when it turns on, light exposes, it guides, and produces life.

First, light unveils what’s in front of you. The moment you walk into a dark room the very first thing we do is turn on the light. Immediately darkness is ushered out of the room. Humanity was living in utter darkness (spiritually) Jesus came, so all may be rescued from the kingdom of darkness to the kingdom of light. This is a transition from death to eternal life.

Second, light not only unveils or exposes, but it serves as a guide. In Psalm 119:105 says, “Your word is a lamp to my feet and a light to my path.” The word of God lights up our pathway so we are able to walk according to his will. When you turn your attention to the book of Exodus we see God was leading the Israelites day and night through the wilderness. God was accompanying them through the pillar of cloud by day and pillar of fire guided them by night. Both pillar of cloud and fire represents the supernatural phenomena that visibly guided his children. Jesus Christ says, “I am the light of the world. Whoever follows me will not walk in darkness, but will have the light of life” (Eternal Life, John 8:12).

Third, light produces life. Photosynthesis is needed for plants to grow. The conversion of light energy to chemical energy. Photosynthesis is the foundation of most food chains providing energy. Likewise, the word of God needs to abide in you so you are able to grow in Christ. His word is life, the more the word abides in you, you become more radiant. There should be progression in your walk with God. His light unveils the truth, guides you in all areas of life, and produces life, and energy so you are able to grow in Christ.

In conclusion, let God’s eternal light radiate through each one of you so it may bring glory to his name. “You are the light of the world” (Matthew 5:14) you have the ability and power to illuminate and inspire others drawing them to Christ. We live in a fallen world, many people you come across need hope and encouragement. They need joy and peace, only a child of God through the help of the Holy Spirit can lead others to Christ.

Stay Grounded in God's Light!

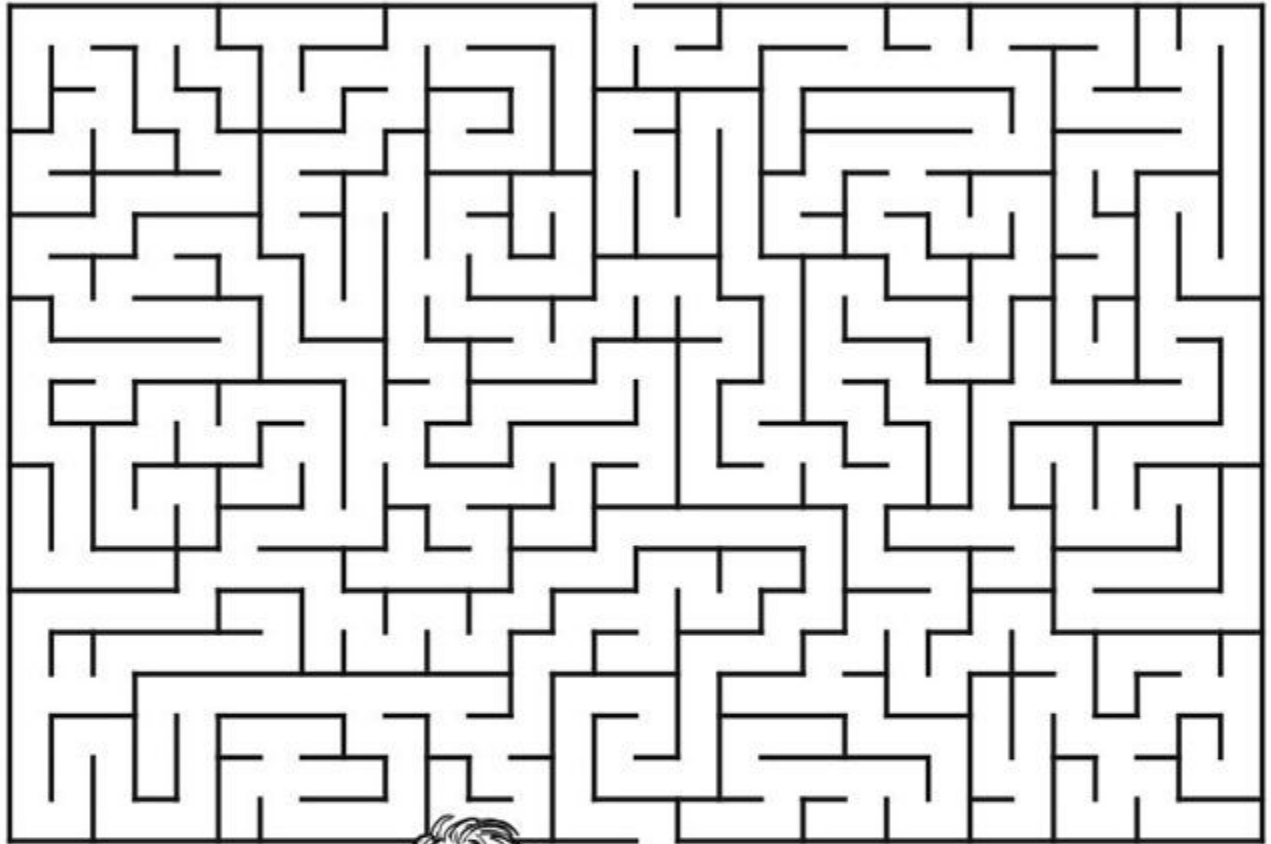
By Rachel Regi

The comparison of light vs. darkness as a Christian analogy has always been so dear to my heart. During a tough season in my life, I lamented to the Lord the exact words that it felt like I could see no light at the end of the tunnel I was in. Lo and behold, the next morning, I came across a verse in my morning devotion from Job 17:12- “...in the face of the darkness, light is near.” When faced with total darkness, there is a sense of confusion, a complete void. This is why the verse equates death with darkness. When we enter a place with light, there is a clearer illumination of what is in front of us and our path. All of a sudden, there is now hope and possibility. This is why the verse equates life with light. This is what life with God looks like. Our theme for this month is the verse from John 1:4, “In him was life, and the life was the light of men.” We were once in darkness, without purpose or anchor for our souls. Before we stepped into God’s light, we were in a state of limbo, there was confusion, and our souls were destined for an eternal death. Through God sending His only son to die on the cross for us, we were given life. Through accepting what Jesus has done for us on the cross, we are accepting that light.

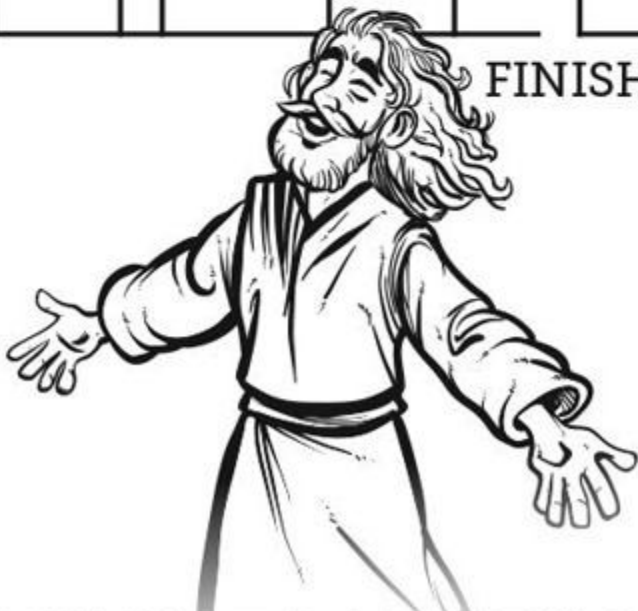
It is still possible for a Christian to walk in or have a season of darkness. Oftentimes, we let things from this life obscure the light that God offers us, which causes us to be in darkness. However, God empowers us to throw off the things that obscure us from the truth. When we are walking in light, we are walking in God’s true purpose and calling for our lives. When we are walking in darkness, we are straying away and lost in a void with no direction. I would like to end this article by encouraging you to stay grounded in the light that God has called us into!

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Weekly Meetings		
Date	Time	Location
Tuesday	7:00 PM - 8:00 PM	Zoom
Friday	10:00 AM - 11:00 AM	Zoom
Saturday	7:00 PM - 8:30 PM	@ Church

Mark your Calendars		
Event	Date	Location
Fasting Prayer	June 27-29	Church

Pray For Nations		
Country	Capital	Population est.
Saint Helena	Jamestown	6,181
Saint Kitts and Nevis	Basseterre	46,758
Saint Lucia	Castries	179,285
Saint Vincent and the Grenadines	Kingstown	101,323
San Marino	San Marino	33,860