2) Jesus (LIGHT) shines in darkness, and the darkness has not overcome it

[==] John uses darkness for spiritual blindness (1:10-11,9:35ff), for revulsion from light b/c of evil deeds (3:19), for symbol of forces moving to betray t crucify Jesus (13:30). Darkness is ultimately banished in Heaven when & will be their light Rev 22:5

- Darkness moves us beyond creation to Fall
- 1. Darkness is in the world Contemporary Events
- 2. Darkness is in you Athanasius "corruption"
  "disintegration" "dissolution"

Darkness So What? "Untruth hurts"

3 John came as a Witness to the Light

EE Witness 3x ... Meaning

Witnesses = (1) Father (5:3155,34,37; 8:18)

(2) Christ himself (8:14, 18), (3) Spirit (15:26, 16:14),
(4) Works of Jesus (5:36; 10:25; 14:11; 15:24) (5)
Scripture (5:39; 5:45), (6) John the Baptist (1:6-8),
Variety of human witnesses (ex. John 9)

"I was blind but NOW I can see"

John Not the Light Witness to the Light

JESUS is LIGHT - Creates "Christian edge"

= Witness that Jesus is true light of the world, that apart from Jesus' light all are lost in darkness, so that all might believe in/receieve Him + have Life John the Baptist (v. 6,29) Apostle John (Gospel of John) and rank and file Christians

Secular Show you why we must bear witness to the light !

JESUS is LIGHT OF THE WORLD JOHN 8:12

- \* Simple Gospel
- \* Deep Theology

1 Jesus is the LIGHT of all people

EE WORD (Jesus) is Agent of creation

In him was Life

the life was the Light of man (Cf. v9)

Mean? = Creation, Not salvation

Wimage of O Athanasius = in you

Wireation, general revelation = in creation

Invitation, 1st? You are created by  $\theta$ , for  $\theta$ . Every part of you is made for light of  $\theta$ Light so essential ... C.S. Lewis

- The Light has come into the World = incarnation

  Isaiah 9:Z

  He was in the world he had made
  - "did Not receive him"
  - E Some received Him But to all who received him, who believed in his name, he gave the right to become children of  $\theta$ .
  - Secular Do you see why we must bear witness to the healing, saving Light of Jesus despite that being socially offensive? It would be inhuman + unloving not to want you to have Light, to invite you to be child of  $\Theta$ , etc.
  - Seeker You are made by O for O. Every part of you is made for O's Light, and darkness hurts. See how wide the offer is ALL who receive, not religious performance but faith... Humble Yourself + Receive
  - Xtian If you're experienced the Light you can do nothing but share it [TEST] of true salvation.

    But only & can make blind see, save the LOST

    Born, not of blood, Nor of the will of the flesh... but of &