

Let There Be Light

John 1:4-5 (NIV) In him was life, and that life was the light of all mankind. The light shines in the darkness, and the darkness has not overcome it.

Genesis 1:3-4 (NIV) And God said "Let there be light, and there was light. It was good, and he separated the light from the darkness.

2 Corinthians 4:6 (NIV) For God, who said, "Let light shine out of darkness," made his light shine in our hearts to give us the light of the knowledge of God's glory displayed in the face of Christ.

Where does the darkness come from?

Acts 26:18 (NIV) to open their eyes and turn them from darkness to light and from the power of Satan to God, so that they may receive forgiveness of sin and a place among those who are sanctified by faith in me."

At salvation we are transferred from k kingdom to **K** Kingdom.

Darkness is defeated by **the light**.

If we don't associate the devil with the darkness we are likely to **minimize** sin and **misjudge** Satan and **miscalculate** his movements.

Ephesians 6:12 (NIV) For our struggle is not against flesh and blood, but against the rulers, against the authorities, against

the powers of this dark world and against the spiritual forces of evil in the heavenly realms.

How does the darkness invade?

Slowly like a drip.

Quickly like a flood.

1 Peter 5:8(NIV) be alert and of sober mind. Your enemy the devil prowls around like a roaring lion looking for someone to devour.

How does the darkness enter?

Open doors - **sin** & abdicated **authority**

Matthew 12:43 (NIV) "When an impure spirit comes out of a person, it goes through arid places seeking rest and does not find it. Then it says, 'I will return to the house I left'. When it arrives, it finds the house unoccupied, swept clean and put in order. Then it goes and takes with it seven other spirits more wicked than itself, and they go in and live there. And the final condition of that person is worse than the first."

Genesis 4:7 (NIV) If you do what is right, will you not be accepted? But if you do not do what is right, sin is crouching at your door; it desires to have you, but you must rule over it."

What does the darkness sound like?

False Promises

Matthew 4:8 (NIV) Again, the devil took him to a very high mountain and showed him all the kingdoms of the world and their splendor, "All this I will give you," he said, "if you will bow down and worship me."

2 Corinthians 1:20 (NIV) the promises of God in Christ are yes and amen.

Accusations

Revelation 12:10b (NIV) For the accuser of our brothers and sisters, who accuses them before our God day and night, has been hurled down.

Hebrews 12:1 (NIV) let us throw off everything that hinders and the sin that so easily entangles. And let us run with perseverance the race marked out for us, fixing our eyes on Jesus, the pioneer and perfecter of faith. For the joy set before him he endured the cross, scorning its shame, and sat down at the right hand of the throne of God.