

Trigger Warning

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I. Jesus gives us what we need.

Genesis 1:3

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

2 Corinthians 4:6

For God who said, "Let light shine out of darkness," has shone in our hearts to give the light of the knowledge of God's glory in the face of Jesus Christ.

2 Peter 1:5-8

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II. Jesus shows us how to live.

“Faith is to be both foundational and functional.” - Dick Lucas

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III. Jesus saves us from our sin.

1 Peter 1:1-2

Peter, an apostle of Jesus Christ, To those who are elect exiles...according to the foreknowledge of God the Father, in the sanctification of the Spirit, for obedience to Jesus Christ and for sprinkling with his blood: May grace and peace be multiplied to you.

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