

I AM THE LIGHT OF THE WORLD

I AM: PART TWO

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*“Jesus spoke to the people once more and said, **“I am the light of the world.** If you follow me, you won’t have to walk in darkness, because you will have the light that leads to life.”*
(John 8:12, NLT)

¹ In the beginning the Word already existed. The Word was with God, and the Word was God. ² He existed in the beginning with God. ³ God created everything through him, and nothing was created except through him. ⁴ The Word gave life to everything that was created, and his life brought light to everyone. ⁵ The light shines in the darkness, and the darkness can never extinguish it. ⁶ God sent a man, John the Baptist, ⁷ to tell about the light so that everyone might believe because of his testimony. ⁸ John himself was not the light; he was simply a witness to tell about the light. ⁹ The one who is the true light, who gives light to everyone, was coming into the world.
(John 1:1–5, NLT)

FIVE WAYS I CAN EXPERIENCE JESUS AS THE LIGHT OF THE WORLD

1. I CAN TRUST HIS PROMISES.

“The people who walk in darkness will see a great light. For those who live in a land of deep darkness, a light will shine...For a child is born to us, a son is given to us...And he will be called: Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace.” (Isaiah 9:2,6 NLT)

“Simeon was there. He took the child in his arms and praised God, saying, “Sovereign Lord, now let your servant die in peace, as you have promised. I have seen your salvation, which you have prepared for all people. He is a light to reveal God to the nations...” (Luke 2:28–32, NLT)

HE HAS A PLAN EVEN BEFORE I HAVE A PROBLEM.

2. I CAN RELY ON HIS PURITY.

“This is the message we heard from Jesus and now declare to you: God is light, and there is no darkness in him at all.” (1 John 1:5, NLT)

“God made him who had no sin to be sin for us, so that in him we might become the righteousness of God.” (2 Corinthians 5:21, NIV)

“This High Priest of ours understands our weaknesses, for he faced all of the same testings we do, yet he did not sin.” (Hebrews 4:15, NLT)

HE KNOWS HOW TO CLEAN UP WHATEVER I’VE MESSED UP.

3. I CAN COUNT ON HIS PERSISTENCY.

...and the Word was God...(1)

“But whatever is good and perfect comes to us from God, the Creator of all light, and he shines forever without change...” (James 1:17, The Living Bible)

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Why this works?

The speed of light is CONSTANT.

“I am the LORD, and I do not change...” (Malachi 3:6, NLT)

“Jesus Christ is the same yesterday, today, and forever.” (Hebrews 13:8, NLT)

HE IS MY ANCHOR IN THE STORM.

4. I CAN KNOW THAT HE ALWAYS PREVAILS.

The light shines in the darkness, and the darkness can never extinguish it (5)

“For at just the right time Christ will be revealed from heaven by the blessed and only almighty God, the King of all kings and Lord of all lords. He alone can never die, and he lives in light so brilliant that no human can approach him. No human eye has ever seen him, nor ever will. All honor and power to him forever! Amen.” (1 Timothy 6:15–16, NLT)

HE IS GOOD NO MATTER HOW BAD IT GETS.

5. I CAN EXPERIENCE HIS POWER!

“I have come as a light to shine in this dark world, so that all who put their trust in me will no longer remain in the dark.” (John 12:46, NLT)

“Put your trust in the light while there is still time; then you will become children of the light.” (John 12:36a, NLT)

HE WANTS TO TRANSFORM MY DARKNESS INTO HIS LIGHT.

LAST THOUGHT
WHAT’S KEEPING ME IN THE DARK?

“God rescued me from the grave, and now my life is filled with light.” (Job 33:28, NLT)