



# out of the darkness

*Isaiah 9:2*

January 9th, 2022— “A Surrendered Heart”

## LOVE GOD, LOVE PEOPLE, AND SERVE THE WORLD

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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. **Isaiah 9:2**

✦ We fight spiritually, prayerfully, and having a righteous indignation that drives us to be ever more committed to the things of God.

✦ Human pride is still at work today, leading people to defy God by choosing their own way.

“Worshiping other things that are outside of God and following other ways outside of Christ Jesus.”  
~Babylonian Theology.

✦ Jesus said that Christians are the light of the world.  
**(Matthew 5:14)**

**Luke 1:78,79** Because of God's tender mercy, the morning light from heaven is about to break upon us, 79 to give light to those who sit in darkness and in the shadow of death, and to guide us to the path of peace.”

“Jesus is the perfect guide that has sent us the perfect helper; the Holy Spirit. And because of this, we can live in a place of perfect peace

### How do we keep fear, doubt, and despair at bay?

1. Love, gratitude, obedience. *(all are acts of worship)*

**Matthew 22:37,38**

✦ Love, gratitude, and obedience is all about presenting our bodies, our very being as a sacrifice of worship wholly committed to God. **Romans 12:1-2, Ephesians 4:17-24**

2. Trust and confidence. **Matthew 14:24-31**

**1 Timothy 1:7**

✦ The problem with fear is if we choose that instead of power and love, we leave little room for God to move in our life. *For out of the heart flows the issues of life.*

✦ God is not just asking for a piece of our heart; He is asking for it all.

**Hebrews 10:35,36**

We have good reason to cast our cares upon him, and to be satisfied with his appointments. Hitherto he has done all things well. ~John Newton

**Philippians 3:12 NKJV**

\*all verses taken from the New Living Translation unless otherwise noted.