Jesus Unfiltered – The Light of Christmas

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John 1:4,9-13

In Him was life, and the life was the light of men. ⁵ And the light shines in the darkness, and the darkness did not comprehend it...The <u>true</u> light that gives light to everyone was coming into the world. ¹⁰ He was in the world, and though the world was made through him, the world did not recognize him. ¹¹ He came to His own, and His own did not receive Him. ¹² But as many as received Him, to them He gave the right to become children of God, to those who believe in His name: ¹³ who were born, not of blood, nor of the will of the flesh, nor of the will of man, but of God.

1. Light Brings Sight and Understanding Romans 1:21

"For even though they knew God, they did not honor Him as God, or give thanks; but they became futile in their speculations, and their foolish heart was darkened.

John 12:46

I have come as light into the world, that everyone who believes in Me may not remain in darkness.

Psa. 36:9 NKJV

For with You *is* the fountain of life; In <u>Your light</u> we see light.

1John 1:5 NKJV

<u>This</u> is the message which we have heard from Him and declare to you, that God is light and in Him is no darkness at all.

2. Light Brings Life

Matthew 4:16

the people who were sitting in darkness saw a great light, and to those who were sitting in the land and shadow of death, upon them a light dawned.

John 8:12

Again therefore Jesus spoke to them, saying, 'I am the light of the world; he who follows Me shall not walk in the darkness, but shall have the light of life.'"

3. Light Removes Stains and Purifies

1 John 1:7

the blood of Jesus...cleanses us from all sin.

Acts 26:18

to open their eyes so that they may turn from darkness to light and from the dominion of Satan to God, in order that they may receive forgiveness of sins

4. Light Heals

Isaiah 61:1

"The Spirit of the Lord God is upon Me, because the Lord has anointed Me to bring good news to the afflicted; He has sent Me to bind up the broken-hearted."

Psalm 34:18

"The Lord is near to the broken-hearted and saves those who are crushed in spirit."

5. Light Gives Security

Psa. 27:1

The LORD *is* my light and my salvation; Whom shall I fear?

John 8:12

Again therefore Jesus spoke to them, saying, 'I am the light of the world; he who follows Me shall not walk in the darkness, but shall have the light of life.'"