

The Father of Lights Part-2

Today we continue with a message called "The Father of Lights - Pt. 2." Let's discover the Lord's nature and the nature that He put inside of us. Also, we'll see the warfare that goes on around us and why.

Fellowship with The Living Expression of God

1 John 1:1-4 TPT *"We saw Him with our very own eyes. We gazed upon Him and heard Him speak. Our hands actually touched Him, the One who was from the beginning, the Living Expression of God. 2. This Life-Giver was made visible and we have seen Him. We testify to this truth: the eternal Life-Giver lived face-to-face with the Father and has now dawned upon us. 3. So we proclaim to you what we have seen and heard about this Life-Giver so that we may share and enjoy this life together. For truly our **fellowship*** is with the Father and with His Son, Jesus, the Anointed One. 4. We are writing these things to you because we want to release to you our fullness of joy (or "that our [or "your" NKJV] joy may be fulfilled.")"* **Joy reaches out!**

Love produces Light and Light produces joy in people of faith.

God said, *"Let there be light and there was."* Then God said, "Let my Son the Life-Giver be Light to the world," and He is.

TPT note:** "The Gk. word ***koinonia means "to share in partnership; a reality shared in common." **Through Christ, our shared reality is now with the Father** (2 Pet. 1:4)."

God's Life is Light for All Mankind

Apostle John equates God's life to light. No Christ = a dark life!

John 1:4-5 TPT “A fountain of life was in Him, for **His life is light** for all humanity. **5.** And this Light never fails to shine through darkness – Light that darkness could not overcome!”

Darkness can neither comprehend the Light nor diminish it. **SFLB WW:** “The Christians joy is in knowing that light is not only greater than darkness, but will also outlast the darkness.”

The most amazing inventions in the future will have to do with light (i.e. lasers, LED’s, solar cells, etc.)!

The Light of New Covenant Ministry

2 Cor. 4:3-4, 6 TPT “Even if our gospel message is veiled, it is only veiled to those who are perishing, **4.** for their minds have been blinded by the god of this age, leaving them in unbelief. Their blindness keeps them from seeing the dayspring light of the gospel of the glory of Christ, Who is the divine image of God. **6.** For God, Who said, “Let brilliant light shine out of darkness,” is the one Who has cascaded His light into us – the brilliant dawning light of the glorious knowledge of God as we gaze into the face of Jesus Christ.” Dawning light = spiritual sunrise! The “darkest night” (trouble) is just before the dawn!

V. 6 TPT note: “Paul helps us to understand that “light” is both literal and a metaphor for spiritual revelation, and shows that the creation narrative provides us with an allegory pointing to the experience of new birth in Christ. **Gen. 1:3; Isa. 9:2.**” Our new birth in Christ is the result of Father God pouring into us the Light of Truth which reveals the glorious knowledge of God!

Eph. 5:8-10 TPT “Once your life was full of sin’s darkness, but now you have the very **light of our Lord** shining through you because of your union with Him. Your mission is to live as children flooded with His revelation-light! **9.** And the supernatural fruits of His light (or “Spirit”) will be seen in you – goodness, righteousness, and truth. **10.** Then you will learn to choose what is beautiful to our Lord.”

The Day of the Lord Comes As a Thief in the Night

SFLB note: “**2nd Thess. 2:3-12** gives the additional information that a great rebellion by humankind against God’s authority and the emergence of the Man of Sin will precede the return of the Lord.”

1 Thess. 5:4-6 *“But you, beloved brothers and sisters, are not living in the dark, allowing that day (destruction “of the Lord”) to creep up on you like a thief coming to steal. 5. For you are all children of the light and children of the day. We don’t belong to the night nor to darkness. 6. This is why we must not fall asleep, as the rest do, but keep wide awake and clearheaded. 7. For those who are asleep sleep the night away, and drunkards get drunk at night. 8. But since we belong to the day, we must stay alert and clearheaded by placing the breastplate of faith and love over our hearts, and a helmet of the hope of salvation over our thoughts. V. 8 TPT note: “The Aramaic can be translated “be clearheaded in our vision as we are deployed on the battlefield for faithfulness and love, and set apart with the shield of the hope of everlasting life.”*

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Spiritual Warfare: Light vs Darkness & Truth vs Lies

Eph. 6:10 TPT *“Now my beloved ones, I have saved these most important truths for last: Be supernaturally infused with strength through your life-union with the Lord Jesus. Stand victorious with the force of His explosive power flowing in and through you.”* Read vv. 11-17 yourself to get the full picture.

The Sons of Light Dwell Along With God

Dan. 2:22 TPT *“He (God) alone reveals deep secrets and mysteries and knows what lies in darkness, for He radiates glory-light all around Him (or “light dwells along with Him”).”*

God's Intention: That We Broadcast His Glorious Wonders

1 Pet. 2:9 TPT *"But you are God's **chosen treasure*** – priests who are kings, a spiritual "nation" set apart as God's devoted ones. He called you out of darkness to experience His marvelous light, and now He claims you as His very own. He did this so that you would broadcast His glorious wonders throughout the world."* ***TPT note:** "This is taken from Ex. 19:5-6 & Mal. 3:17. The Heb. word is *sugulla*, which means "a special treasure" (possession). It is used to describe "guarded wealth," indicating the placement of the king's jewels, treasures, etc., in a safe, protected place because of their extraordinary value."

The Light of Holiness

Psa. 36:9 TPT *"The fountain of life flows from You to satisfy me. In your light of holiness we receive the light of revelation."*

1 Tim. 6:16 *"who alone has immortality, dwelling in unapproachable light, Whom no man has seen or can see, to whom be honor and everlasting **power** (Gk. *kratos*: Dominion, strength, manifested power. The word especially signifies exerted strength, power shown effectively in a reigning authority. Although it is used in Heb. 2:14 of the devil's power of death, *kratos* primarily refers to God's kingdom authority, dominion, and majesty."*