

Philadelphia Church

So Be Careful...

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Darkness conceals... Light reveals. –Unknown

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True friends are the ones who come and find you
in Dark Places and Lead You Back to light.

- Unknown



Luke 11:29-32

²⁹ As the crowds increased, Jesus said, “This is a wicked generation. It asks for a sign, but none will be given it except the sign of Jonah. ³⁰ For as Jonah was a sign to the Ninevites, so also will the Son of Man be to this generation. ³¹ The Queen of the South will rise at the judgment with the people of this generation and condemn them, for she came from the ends of the earth to listen to Solomon’s wisdom; and now something greater than Solomon is here. ³² The men of Nineveh will stand up at the judgment with this generation and condemn it, for they repented at the preaching of Jonah; and now something greater than Jonah is here.

Luke 11:33-36

³³ “No one lights a lamp and puts it in a place where it will be hidden, or under a bowl. Instead they put it on its stand, so that those who come in may see the light. ³⁴ Your eye is the lamp of your body. When your eyes are healthy, your whole body also is full of light. But when they are unhealthy, your body also is full of darkness. ³⁵ See to it, then, that the light within you is not darkness. ³⁶ Therefore, if your whole body is full of light, and no part of it dark, it will be just as full of light as when a lamp shines its light on you.”

Hebrews 1:3

³ The Son is the radiance of God's glory and the exact representation of his being, sustaining all things by his powerful word. After he had provided purification for sins, he sat down at the right hand of the Majesty in heaven.

John 8:12

¹² When Jesus spoke again to the people, he said, “I am the light of the world. Whoever follows me will never walk in darkness, but will have the light of life.”

John 3:19-20

¹⁹ This is the verdict: Light has come into the world, but people loved darkness instead of light because their deeds were evil. ²⁰ Everyone who does evil hates the light, and will not come into the light for fear that their deeds will be exposed.

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5 conditions that blind us spiritually:

1. **Busyness** (Ephesians 5:6)- ⁶ Let no one deceive you with empty words, for because of such things God's wrath comes on those who are disobedient.
2. **Misplaced Affection** (1 John 2:15)- ¹⁵ Do not love the world or anything in the world. If anyone loves the world, love for the Father is not in them.
3. **Discouragement**
4. **"Blessings"** (1 Timothy 6:10)- ¹⁰ For the love of money is a root of all kinds of evil. Some people, eager for money, have wandered from the faith and pierced themselves with many griefs.
5. **Habitual Sin** (Hebrews 12:1)- Therefore, since we are surrounded by such a great cloud of witnesses, let us throw off everything that hinders and the sin that so easily entangles. And let us run with perseverance the race marked out for us



John 1:1,4-5,9

- ◇ In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God.
- ◇ ⁴ In him was life, and that life was the light of all mankind. ⁵ The light shines in the darkness, and the darkness has not overcome it.
- ◇ ⁹ The true light that gives light to everyone was coming into the world.

2 Questions:

- ◆ What are you seeing?
- ◆ What are you not seeing?

Job 31:1

I made a covenant with my eyes not to look
lustfully at a young woman.



7 things that cause light to fade in our lives:

1. Possessions
2. Media
3. Religious spirit
4. Relationships
5. Work
6. Hobbies
7. Leaders (wrong perspective)

1 Corinthians 3:4

⁴ For when one says, “I follow Paul,” and another, “I follow Apollos,” are you not mere human beings?

Romans 7:15-21

¹⁵ I do not understand what I do. For what I want to do I do not do, but what I hate I do. ¹⁶ And if I do what I do not want to do, I agree that the law is good. ¹⁷ As it is, it is no longer I myself who do it, but it is sin living in me. ¹⁸ For I know that good itself does not dwell in me, that is, in my sinful nature. For I have the desire to do what is good, but I cannot carry it out. ¹⁹ For I do not do the good I want to do, but the evil I do not want to do—this I keep on doing. ²⁰ Now if I do what I do not want to do, it is no longer I who do it, but it is sin living in me that does it. ²¹ So I find this law at work: Although I want to do good, evil is right there with me.

1 John 1:6-7

⁶ If we claim to have fellowship with him and yet walk in the darkness, we lie and do not live out the truth. ⁷ But if we walk in the light, as he is in the light, we have fellowship with one another, and the blood of Jesus, his Son, purifies us from all sin.

2 Corinthians 11:4

⁴ For if someone comes to you and preaches a Jesus other than the Jesus we preached, or if you receive a different spirit from the Spirit you received, or a different gospel from the one you accepted, you put up with it easily enough.