

Sermon Series – “I AM”

Part 2 – “The Light of the World”

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Scripture Reading: John 8:12

We _____ in a world that is enshrouded in darkness where many, with _____ vision and not able to see clearly, do what is right in their own sight. It is to such a world in need of _____ that Christ declares Himself to be the One who will illuminate the way for all who will follow Him, as He did that day in the temple. On that day, after the seven days of the Feast of Tabernacles, the minds of His hearers could appreciate the _____ He gave them as there stood in the court of the temple the _____ which were _____ in the evening to remind the people of the pillar of fire that _____ Israel through the darkness of the wilderness. But what else can we _____ from this statement of Christ and how does it apply to us in these _____ days as we fulfill Christ’s commission to seek and save the _____? Let us prayerfully open God’s word today as we study.

Embracing the Light

1. What prophetic _____ is Jesus invoking by His declaration? *Isa. 60:1-3; 49:6*
2. How does this demonstrate Christ’s equal _____ to the Father? *v17-18; 1 Jn. 1:5*
3. Though they had the _____ of God why did they reject the light of Christ? *Jn 3:19*
4. How did John understand the _____ between light and _____ in Christ? *Jn 1:1-4*
5. What _____ of light do we share with Christ as we work for Him? *Matt. 5:14-16*

Those who follow Jesus will be laborers together with God. They will not walk in darkness, but will find the true path where Jesus, the Light of the world, leads the way; and as they bend their steps Zionward, moving on in faith, they will attain unto a bright experience in the things of God.

¶Do you realize your value in the sight of God? He says, Ye are laborers together with Me. Are you letting your light shine in clear rays to a fallen world? Are you seeking to exercise every faculty and every power which God has given you? You may not be a minister, but you can be a witness. You may not be an eloquent speaker, but you can be eloquent in living Christ, you can be eloquent in letting your light shine before men.

¶A true, lovable Christian is the most powerful argument that can be advanced in favor of Bible truth. Such a man is Christ’s representative. His life is the most convincing evidence that can be borne to the power of divine grace. When God’s people bring the righteousness of Christ into the daily life, sinners will be converted and victories over the enemy will be gained.

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May the rays of His light shine on us that we may reflect Him to others!