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# Bible Study: Light in Scripture

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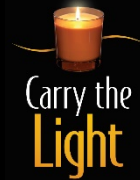


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# Bible Study, Part 3: Light and Witness

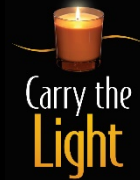
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# Light in the darkness



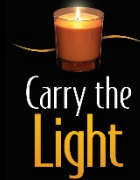
- 🕯️ “The people who walked in darkness have seen a great **light**...” (Isaiah 9:2)
  - Referenced in Matthew 4:12-16
  - “to give **light** to those who sit in darkness and in the shadow of death, to guide our feet into the way of peace.” (Luke 1:79)

# Arise and shine



 "Arise, shine; for your **light** has come, and the glory of the LORD has risen upon you. For darkness shall cover the earth, and thick darkness the peoples; but the LORD will arise upon you, and his glory will appear over you. Nations shall come to your **light**, and kings to the brightness of your dawn." (Isaiah 60:1-3)

# Light and the Nations

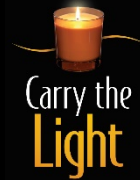


🕯️ "I have given you as a covenant to the people, a **light** to the nations."  
(Isaiah 42:6)

🕯️ "I will give you as a **light** to the nations, that my salvation may reach to the end of the earth." (Isaiah 49:6)

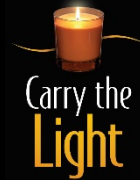
🕯️ "a **light** for revelation to the Gentiles and for glory to your people Israel." (Luke 2:32)


# Darkness turned into Light



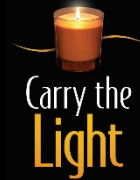
- 🕯️ “I will turn darkness before them into **light**” (Isaiah 42:16)
- 🕯️ “I will rescue you from your people and from the Gentiles—to whom I am sending you to open their eyes so that they may turn from darkness to **light**...”  
(Acts 26:17-18)


# Proclamation and Light



 “But you are a chosen race, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, God’s own people, in order that you may proclaim the mighty acts of him who called you out of darkness into his marvelous **light.**” (1 Peter 2:9)

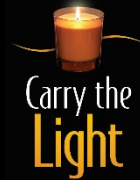
# Light, Life, and the Word



 “In the beginning was the Word...What has come into being in him was life, and the life was the **light** of all people. The **light** shines in the darkness, and the darkness did not overcome it...The true **light**, which enlightens everyone, was coming into the world.” (John 1:1-9)

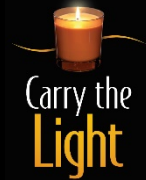


# Jesus is Light of the World



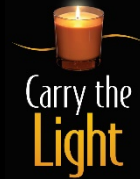
- 🕯️ Jesus says **he** is the **Light of the World**.
- 🕯️ "I am the **light** of the world. Whoever follows me will never walk in darkness but will have the **light** of life." (John 8:12)
- 🕯️ "I have come as **light** into the world, so that everyone who believes in me should not remain in darkness." (John 12:46)
- 🕯️ "As long as I am in the world, I am the **light** of the world." (John 9:5)


# We are Light of the World



- 🕯️ Jesus says **we** are the **Light of the World**.
- 🕯️ "You are the **light** of world. A city built on a hill cannot be hid....Let your **light** shine before others, so that they may see your good works and give glory to your Father in heaven." (Matthew 5:14-16)

# Light in Our Hearts



 "In their case the god of this world has blinded the minds of the unbelievers, to keep them from seeing the **light** of the gospel of the glory of Christ, who is the image of God. For we do not proclaim ourselves; we proclaim Jesus Christ as Lord and ourselves as your slaves for Jesus' sake. For it is the God who said, "Let **light** shine out of darkness," who has shone in our hearts to give the **light** of the knowledge of the glory of God in the face of Jesus Christ." (2 Corinthians 4:4-6)



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