

VERSES ON LIGHT AND DARKNESS

- **Genesis 1:3-5** 3 God said, Let there be light, and there was light. 4 And God saw that the light was good. And God separated the light from the darkness. 5 God called the light Day, and the darkness he called Night. And there was evening and there was morning, the first day.
- **Genesis 15:17** 17 When the sun had gone down and it was dark, behold, a smoking fire pot and a flaming torch passed between these pieces.
- **Exodus 3:2** 2 The angel of Yahweh appeared to [Moses] in a flame of fire out of the midst of a bush. He looked, and behold, the bush was burning, yet it was not consumed.
- **Exodus 10:22-23** 22 Moses stretched out his hand toward heaven, and there was pitch darkness in all the land of Egypt three days. 23 They did not see one another, nor did anyone rise from his place for three days, but all the people of Israel had light where they lived.
- **Exodus 13:21** 21 Yahweh went before [Israel] by day in a pillar of cloud to lead them along the way, and by night in a pillar of fire to give them light, that they might travel by day and by night.
- **Exodus 19:18** 18 Mount Sinai was wrapped in smoke because Yahweh had descended on it in fire. The smoke of it went up like the smoke of a kiln, and the whole mountain trembled greatly.
- **Exodus 24:17** 17 The appearance of the glory of Yahweh was like a devouring fire on the top of the mountain in the sight of the people of Israel.
- **Leviticus 24:2-3** 2 Command the people of Israel to bring you [Moses] pure oil from beaten olives for the lamp, that a light may be kept burning regularly. 3 Outside the veil of the testimony, in the tent of meeting, Aaron shall arrange it from evening to morning before Yahweh regularly. It shall be a statute forever throughout your generations.
- **Numbers 8:1-3** 1 Now Yahweh spoke to Moses saying, 2 Speak to Aaron and say to him, When you set up the lamps, the seven lamps shall give light in front of the lampstand. 3 And Aaron did so. He set up its lamps in front of the lampstand, as Yahweh commanded Moses.
- **2 Samuel 22:29** 29 You are my lamp, Yahweh, and Yahweh illumines my darkness.
- **2 Samuel 23:3-4** 3 When one rules justly over men, ruling in the fear of God, 4 he dawns on them like the morning light, like the sun shining forth on a cloudless morning.
- **Job 12:24-25** 24 [God] takes away understanding from the chiefs of the people of the earth and makes them wander in a trackless waste. 25 They grope in the dark without light.
- **Job 18:5-6** 5 The light of the wicked is put out, and the flame of his fire does not shine. 6 The light is dark in his tent, and his lamp above him is put out.



Job 24:13 13 There are those who rebel against the light, who are not acquainted with its ways and do not stay in its paths.

Job 29:2-4 2 Oh, that I [Job] were as in the months of old, as in the days when God watched over me, 3 when his lamp shone upon my head, and by his light I walked through darkness, 4 as I was in my prime, when the friendship of God was upon my tent.

Job 33:27-30 27 I sinned and perverted what was right, and it was not repaid to me. 28 He has redeemed my soul from going down into the pit, and my life shall look upon the light. 29 Behold, God does all these things, twice, three times, with a man, 30 to bring back his soul from the pit, that he may be lighted with the light of life.

Job 38:19-20 19 Where is the way to the dwelling of light, and where is the place of darkness, 20 that you [Job] may take it to its territory and that you may discern the paths to its home?

Psalm 18:28 28 It is you who light my lamp. Yahweh my God lightens my darkness.

Psalm 36:9 9 With you is the fountain of life. In your light do we see light.

Psalm 43:3 3 Send out your light and your truth. Let them lead me. Let them bring me to your holy hill and to your dwelling!

Psalm 46:5 5 God is in the midst of [Jerusalem]. She shall not be moved. God will help her when morning dawns.

Psalm 74:16 16 Yours is the day, yours also the night. You have established the heavenly lights and the sun.

Psalm 97:11 11 Light is sown for the righteous, and joy for the upright in heart.

Psalm 104:1-2 1 You [Yahweh] are clothed with splendor and majesty, 2 covering yourself with light as with a garment, stretching out the heavens like a tent.

Psalm 112:4 4 Light dawns in the darkness for the upright. [Yahweh] is gracious, merciful, and righteous.

Psalm 118:27 27 Yahweh is God, and he has made his light to shine upon us.

Psalm 119:105 105 Your word is a lamp to my feet and a light to my path.

Psalm 119:130 130 The unfolding of your words gives light. It imparts understanding to the simple.



Psalm 139:11-12 11 If I say, Surely the darkness will cover me, and the light about me be night, 12 even the darkness is not dark to you. The night is bright as the day, for darkness is as light with you.

Proverbs 4:18-19 18 The path of the righteous is like the light of dawn, which shines brighter and brighter until full day. 19 The way of the wicked is like deep darkness. They do not know over what they stumble.

Ecclesiastes 11:7 7 Light is sweet, and it is pleasant for the eyes to see the sun.

Isaiah 2:5 5 House of Jacob, come, let us walk in the light of Yahweh.

Isaiah 9:1-2 1 There will be no gloom for her [the remnant of Israel] who was in anguish. In the former time he brought into contempt the land of Zebulun and the land of Naphtali. But in the latter time [when Messiah comes] he [Yahweh] has made glorious the way of the sea, the land beyond the Jordan, Galilee of the nations (גּוֹיָם). 2 The people who walked in darkness have seen a great light. Those who dwelt in a land of deep darkness, on them has light shone.

Isaiah 42:6-7 6 I am Yahweh. I have called you [Messiah] in righteousness. I will take you by the hand and keep you. I will give you as a covenant for the people, a light for the nations, 7 to open the eyes that are blind, to bring out the prisoners from the dungeon, from the prison those who sit in darkness.

Isaiah 60:1-3 1 Arise, shine, for your light has come, and the glory of Yahweh has risen upon you. 2 For behold, darkness shall cover the earth, and thick darkness the peoples. But Yahweh will arise upon you, and his glory will be seen upon you. 3 And nations shall come to your light, and kings to the brightness of your rising.

Isaiah 60:19-20 19 The sun will be no more your light by day, nor for brightness will the moon give you light, but Yahweh will be your everlasting light, and your God will be your glory. 20 Your sun shall no more go down, nor your moon withdraw itself, for Yahweh will be your everlasting light, and your days of mourning will be ended.

Daniel 2:22 22 [God] reveals deep and hidden things. He knows what is in the darkness, and the light dwells with him.

Habakkuk 3:3-4 3 [God's] splendour covered the heavens, and the earth was full of his praise. 4 His brightness was like the light. Rays flashed from his hand, and there he veiled his power.

Zechariah 14:7 7 There will be a unique day, which is known to Yahweh, neither day nor night, but at evening time there shall be light.

Matthew 2:9-11 9 Behold, the star that [the wise men] had seen when it rose went before them until it came to rest over the place where the child was. 10 When they saw the star, they



rejoiced exceedingly with great joy. 11 And going into the house, they saw the child with Mary his mother, and they fell down and worshiped him.

Matthew 4:15-16 15 The land of Zebulun and the land of Naphtali, the way of the sea, beyond the Jordan, Galilee of the Gentiles— 16 the people dwelling in darkness have seen a great light, and for those dwelling in the region and shadow of death, on them a light has dawned.

Matthew 5:14-16 14 You [disciples] are the light of the world. A city set on a hill cannot be hidden. 15 Nor do people light a lamp and put it under a basket, but on a stand, and it gives light to all in the house. 16 In the same way, let your light shine before others, so that they may see your good works and give glory to your Father who is in heaven.

Matthew 6:22-23 22 The eye is the lamp of the body. So, if your eye is healthy, your whole body will be full of light. 23 But if your eye is bad, your whole body will be full of darkness. If then the light in you is darkness, how great is the darkness!

Matthew 17:2 2 [Jesus] was transfigured before [Peter, James, and John], his face shone like the sun, and his clothes became white as light.

Luke 1:78-79 78 The sunrise shall visit us from on high 79 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 11:33-36 33 No one after lighting a lamp puts it in a cellar or under a basket, but on a stand, so that those who enter may see the light. 34 Your eye is the lamp of your body. When your eye is healthy, your whole body is full of light, but when it is bad, your body is full of darkness. 35 Therefore be careful lest the light in you be darkness. 36 If then your whole body is full of light, having no part dark, it will be wholly bright, as when a lamp with its rays gives you light.

John 1:4-9 4 In [the Word] was life, and the life was the light of men. 5 The light shines in the darkness, and the darkness did not comprehend it. 6 There came a man sent from God, whose name was John. 7 He came as a witness to testify about the light, so that all might believe through him. 8 He was not the light, but he came to testify about the light. 9 There was the true light which, coming into the world, enlightens every man.

John 3:19-21 19 This is the judgment: the light has come into the world, but people loved the darkness rather than the light because their works were evil. 20 For everyone who does worthless things hates the light and does not come to the light, lest his works should be exposed. 21 But whoever does what is true comes to the light, so that it may be clearly seen that his works have been carried out in God.

John 5:35 35 [John] was a burning and shining lamp, and you were willing to rejoice for a while in his light.



- **John 8:12** 12 Jesus spoke to [the Jewish people] saying, I am the light of the world. Whoever follows me will not walk in darkness, but will have the light of life.
- **John 9:4-5** 4 We must work the works of [the Father] who sent me while it is day. Night is coming, when no one can work. 5 As long as I am in the world, I am the light of the world.
- **John 11:9-10** 9 Jesus answered, Are there not twelve hours in the day? If anyone walks in the day, he does not stumble, because he sees the light of this world. 10 But if anyone walks in the night, he stumbles, because the light is not in him.
- **John 12:35-36** 35 Jesus said to [the Jewish crowd], The light is among you for a little while longer. Walk while you have the light, lest darkness overtake you. The one who walks in the darkness does not know where he is going. 36 While you have the light, believe in the light, that you may become sons of light.
- **John 12:46** 46 I [Jesus] have come into the world as light, so that whoever believes in me may not remain in darkness.
- Acts 26:17-18 17 ...Delivering you [Paul] from your people and from the Gentiles—to whom I [Jesus] am sending you 18 to open their eyes, so that they may turn from darkness to light and from the power of Satan to God, that they may receive forgiveness of sins and a place among those who are sanctified by faith in me.
- **Romans 13:12-13** 12 The night is far gone. The day is at hand. So then let us cast off the works of darkness and put on the armour of light. 13 Let us walk properly as in the daytime, not in orgies and drunkenness, not in sexual immorality and sensuality, not in quarrelling and jealousy.
- **1 Corinthians 4:5** 5 Do not pronounce judgment before the time, before the Lord comes, who will bring to light the things now hidden in darkness and will disclose the purposes of the heart. Then each one will receive his commendation from God.
- **2 Corinthians 4:6** 6 God, who said, Let light shine out of darkness, has shone in our hearts to give the light of the knowledge of the glory of God in the face of Jesus Messiah.
- **2 Corinthians 6:14** 14 Do not be unequally yoked with unbelievers. For what partnership has righteousness with lawlessness? Or what fellowship has light with darkness?
- **Ephesians 5:7-14** 7 Therefore do not become partners with them. 8 For at one time you were darkness, but now you are light in the Lord. Walk as children of light 9 (for the fruit of light is found in all that is good and right and true), 10 and try to discern what is pleasing to the Lord. 11 Take no part in the unfruitful works of darkness, but instead expose them. 12 For it is shameful even to speak of the things that they do in secret. 13 But when anything is exposed by the light, it becomes visible, 14 for anything that becomes visible is light. Therefore it says, Awake, O sleeper, and arise from the dead, and Messiah will shine on you.



- **Colossians 1:12-13** 12 ...Giving thanks to the Father, who has qualified you to share in the inheritance of the saints in light. 13 He has delivered us from the domain of darkness and transferred us to the kingdom of his beloved Son.
- **Philippians 2:14-16** 14 Do all things without grumbling or disputing, 15 that you may be blameless and innocent, children of God without blemish in the midst of a crooked and twisted generation, among whom you shine as lights in the world.
- **1 Timothy 6:16** [God] dwells in unapproachable light, whom no one has ever seen or can see. To him be honour and eternal dominion. Amen.
- **1 Thessalonians 5:4-8** 4 But you are not in darkness, brothers and sisters, for that day to surprise you like a thief. 5 For you are all children of light, children of the day. We are not of the night or of the darkness. 6 So then let us not sleep, as others do, but let us keep awake and be sober. 7 For those who sleep, sleep at night, and those who get drunk, are drunk at night. 8 But because we belong to the day, let us be sober, having put on the breastplate of faith and love, and for a helmet the hope of salvation.
- **1 Peter 2:9** 9 You are a chosen race, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, a people for his own possession, that you may proclaim the excellencies of him who called you out of darkness into his marvellous light.
- **2 Peter 1:19** 19 We have the prophetic word more fully confirmed, to which you will do well to pay attention as to a lamp shining in a dark place, until the day dawns and the morning star rises in your hearts.
- **James 1:17** 17 Every good gift and every perfect gift is from above, coming down from the Father of lights, with whom there is no variation or shadow due to change.
- **1 John 1:5-7** 5 God is light, and in him is no darkness at all. 6 If we say we have fellowship with him while we walk in darkness, we lie and do not practice 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 cleanses us from all sin.
- **1 John 2:8-10** 8 ...It is a new commandment that I [John] am writing to you, which is true in him and in you, because the darkness is passing away and the true light is already shining. 9 Whoever says he is in the light and hates his brother is still in darkness. 10 Whoever loves his brother abides in the light, and in him there is no cause for stumbling.
- **Revelation 21:23-25** 23 The city has no need of sun or moon to shine on it, for the glory of God gives it light, and its lamp is the Lamb. 24 By its light will the nations walk, and the kings of the earth will bring their glory into it. 25 And its gates will never be shut by day, and there will be no night there.



Revelation 22:5 5 Night will be no more. They will need no light of lamp or sun, for the Lord God will be their light, and they will reign forever and ever.