

Light vs Darkness

Light and darkness are prominent themes in the gospels and in the teaching of our Lord. The symbols of light and darkness are not just in the New Testament. They are found throughout the Old Testament and are drawn on repeatedly in the New Testament. There are different areas in your life where you are unaware of the darkness operating there.

Paul frequently employs the imagery of light and darkness in his preaching and in his epistles (Acts 13:47; 26:22-23; Romans 13:11-14; 2 Corinthians 4:3-6; 6:14-18; 11:13-15; Colossians 1:9-14; 1 Thessalonians 5:1-11; 1 Timothy 6:13-16).

Light has a way of exposing what darkness tends to conceal. Before you go any further, please ask the Lord what He wants to shine His Light upon in you today. Whenever you begin to move toward His Light in an area of your life, His Light will cast out the darkness.

Here are just a few ways darkness operates in us (there are more only there too many list them all):

- Selfish ambitions
- Isolation
- Pride
- Wrong decisions based on wrong motives
- Lies about God's plans
- Hidden sin
- Unforgiveness
- Bitterness
- Doubt
- Unbelief that God will do what He said He would
- Fear
- Lack of trust
- Control

Heavenly Father,

I thank you for Your Presence. I ask that You would open those closed chambers of my heart, those places I am unaware of. I ask you to expose them to Your light.,that by Your Spirit You would drive out any areas of darkness. (pause and ask the Holy Spirit to reveal the hidden things of your heart to you).

Lord, I ask You, and You alone, to touch those broken, wounded or dark places of my heart. Oh God, where I am blind to my own sin, restore me and show me the way. Where I have come into agreement with the enemy, expose the lies I have embraced. Where the enemy oppresses me or hinders me from a deeper relationship with You, release me from his snares. I ask that You heal me. I ask that You free me and grant me complete freedom in areas of my life that have not yet been captured by Your great love. Only You can bring healing to the hidden places of my heart and I invite You, Holy Spirit, to change me until I am conformed to the image of Christ.

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