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# Bible Study: Light in Scripture

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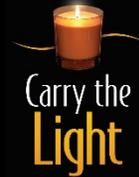


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# Bible Study, Part 2: Living in the Light

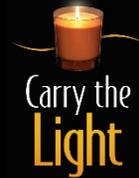
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# God is Light



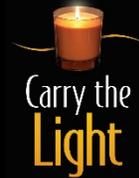
 "This is the message we have heard from him and proclaim to you, that God is **light** and in him there is no darkness at all. If we say that we have fellowship with him while we are walking in darkness, we lie and do not do what is true; but if we walk in the **light** as he himself is in the **light**, we have fellowship with one another, and the blood of Jesus his Son cleanses us from all sin." (1 John 1:5-7)

# Light and Love



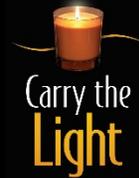
 “Beloved, I am writing you no new commandment, but an old commandment that you have had from the beginning; the old commandment is the word that you have heard. Yet I am writing you a new commandment that is true in him and in you, because the darkness is passing away and the true **light** is already shining.” (1 John 2:7-11)

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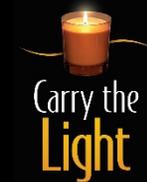


 "Whoever says, "I am in the **light**," while hating a brother or sister, is still in the darkness. Whoever loves a brother or sister lives in the **light**, and in such a person there is no cause for stumbling. But whoever hates another believer is in the darkness, walks in the darkness, and does not know the way to go, because the darkness has brought on blindness." (1 John 2:7-11)

# Children of Light



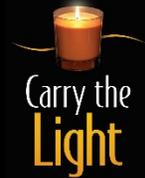
- 🕯️ Jesus uses term “children of **light**” in parable of dishonest steward (Luke 16:8)
- 🕯️ “While you have the **light**, believe in the **light**, so that you may become children of **light**.” (John 12:36)
- 🕯️ “...for you are all children of **light** and children of the **day**; we are not of the night or of the darkness.” (1 Thessalonians 5:5)



# Live as Children of Light

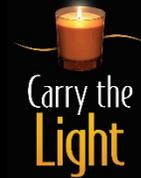
 “For once you were darkness, but now in the Lord you are **light**. Live as children of **light**—for the fruit of the **light** is found in all that is good and right and true.” (Ephesians 5:8-9)

# Armor of Light



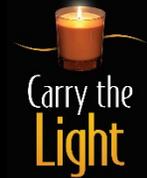
 “For salvation is nearer to us now than when we became believers; the night is far gone, the day is near. Let us then lay aside the works of darkness and put on the armor of **light.**” (Romans 13:11-12)

# Social Justice and Light



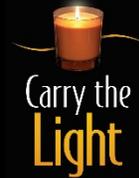
 “Is it [fasting] not to share your bread with the hungry, and bring the homeless poor into your house; when you see the naked to cover them, and not to hide yourself from your own kin? Then your **light** shall break forth like the dawn, and your healing shall spring up quickly; your vindicator shall go before you, the glory of the LORD shall be your rear guard.” (Isaiah 58:7-8)

# Social Justice and Light



 “Then you shall call, and the LORD will answer; you shall cry for help, and he will say, ‘Here I am.’ If you remove the yoke from among you, the pointing of the finger,, the speaking of evil, if you offer your food to the hungry and satisfy the needs of the afflicted, then your **light** shall rise in the darkness and your gloom be like the noonday.” (Isaiah 58:9-10)

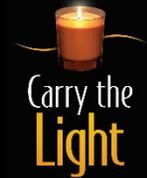
# Instructions of Parents



 “My child, keep your father’s commandments, and do not forsake your mother’s teaching...For the commandment is a **lamp** and the teaching is a **light**...”

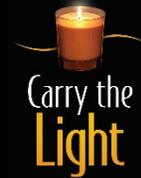
(Proverbs 6:20, 23)

# God's Word as Light



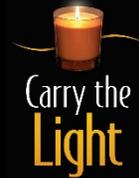
- 🕯️ "Your word is a **lamp** to my feet and a **light** to my path." (Psalm 119:105)
- 🕯️ "The unfolding of your words gives **light**; it imparts understanding to the simple."  
(Psalm 119:130)
- 🕯️ "Listen to me, my people, and give heed to me, my nation; for a teaching will go out from me, and my justice for a **light** to the peoples."  
(Isaiah 51:4)

# Shine like stars and sun



-  “Those who are wise shall **shine** like the brightness of the sky, and those who lead many to righteousness, like the **stars** forever and ever.” (Daniel 12:3)
-  “Then the righteous will **shine** like the **sun** in the kingdom of their Father.” (Matthew 13:43)

# Shine like stars



 “Do all things without murmuring and arguing, so that you may be blameless and innocent, children of God without blemish in the midst of a crooked and perverse generation, in which you **shine** like **stars** in the world.” (Philippians 2:14-15)



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