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**Light  
and  
Darkness**

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## Light and Darkness.

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### Topics.

- Darkness.
  - Light.
  - The meaning of light.
  - Light, dark clouds, sin, and the Holy Spirit.
  - God's light, power, nature, and knowledge.
  - Light and holiness.
  - The effects of Christ's light and holiness.
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### DARKNESS

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**Darkness** is generally a symbol of:

- Misery and adversity.

When darkness is used symbolically the general rule of Scripture is, the greater the darkness (whatever it may symbolise) the greater the destruction.

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### LIGHT

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Light is generally a symbol of:

- God and His truth.
- Joy and safety.

When light is used symbolically the general rule of Scripture is, the greater the light (whatever it may symbolise) the greater the joy and safety.

### THE MEANING OF LIGHT

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**Light:** comes from the Hebrew word ('owr) and literally means illumination in every sense (i.e., the morning sun, the daylight and lightning etc.). Figuratively it carries the idea of an illumination of joy, happiness, and spiritual insight, that brings such excitement, that it is as if one had been set on fire.

**Lamp:** comes from the Hebrew word (niyr) and means to glisten from the light of a burning lamp or candle. It is interesting to the notice in Scripture the spirit of those who do what is good and right is likened to the endless light of the sun, and the powerful light of lightening, whereas the spirit of the wicked is likened to the temporary and very dim light of a burning lamp, and a candle that soon goes out.

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## LIGHT, DARK CLOUDS, SIN, AND THE HOLY SPIRIT

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Light always is, but it is not always seen, when dark clouds cover the sun, the day is clear, though darkened. Likewise, the light of God's favour shines ever towards His faithful servants, though it is not always seen. Sins can be likened to dark clouds that hinder us from seeing the bright light of God, while thick clouds of sorrow often darken our minds to His love and grace until the wind of the Holy Spirit comes and clears these dark clouds away.

The Spirit and word of God clears our hearts and minds from the clouds and fogs of ignorance and unbelief and frees our troubled conscience from guilt and the fear of judgment, as the wind dispels and sweeps away the dark clouds that are gathered in the air and darken the bright light of the sun. (Matthew Henry).

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## GOD'S LIGHT, POWER, NATURE, AND KNOWLEDGE

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Much of mankind is in darkness concerning the workings of God's power, manifested in nature, and the comfort of His grace working in the heart of the faithful in Christ. Though it is certainly true that those who do know God, through His grace in Christ do have a certain level of light and knowledge of God, it is also equally true that in comparison to what is to be known of God they know very little of the full light of God, and will continue to lack much understanding of what is to be known of God, until Christ returns in glory as King of kings and Lord of lords to gather the faithful to Himself and establish God's Kingdom of righteousness, justice, joy and peace on earth.

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## LIGHT AND HOLINESS

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- **Isaiah 10:17:** The light of Israel will become a fire, and his Holy One a flame, and it will burn and devour his thorns and briars in one day.

The expression, "the light of Israel and Israel's Holy One," refers to the invisible immortal Almighty God of all creation and source of all life, often referred to in the Scriptures as the Holy One of Israel. The words, holiness and light refer to the essential character of God in that light symbolises purity, knowledge, and joy, while holiness is separation from all forms of evil. In reference to God's essential character, light and holiness cannot be separated, because light symbolises purity, knowledge, and joy, while holiness signifies, separation from all forms of evil.

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## THE EFFECTS OF CHRIST'S LIGHT AND HOLINESS

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Depending upon the character of a person, Christ's, light and holiness, and his divine character have different effects upon a good and bad person.

- **To a good person:** who responds to Christ's love, and who make Christ their friends his light and holiness, will be joy, the Kingdom of God, and eternal life, because Christ will move toward whoever moves toward him.

- **To a bad person:** to those who are indifferent, or reject the message of the cross, and make Christ their enemy, his light and holiness will be intolerable, for it will lead to the darkness of the grave and eternal death never to see light again.

Christ is either a sure foundation or a stone of stumbling, men and women are either the better or the worse for him, for the Gospel is the savour of life unto life or death unto death. The final judgment will be either rapture and joy, or despair and sorrow.

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