



***Light has come into the world...***

***John 3:19***

*In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. He was with God in the beginning. Through him all things were made; without him nothing was made that has been made. In him was life, and that life was the light of all mankind. The light shines in the darkness, and the darkness has not overcome it.*

*There was a man sent from God whose name was John. He came as a witness to testify concerning that light, so that through him all might believe. He himself was not the light; he came only as a witness to the light.*

*The true light that gives light to everyone was coming into the world. He was in the world, and though the world was made through him, the world did not recognize him. He came to that which was his own, but his own did not receive him. Yet to all who did receive him, to those who believed in his name, he gave the right to become children of God— children born not of natural descent, nor of human decision or a husband's will, but born of God.*

*The Word became flesh and made his dwelling among us. We have seen his glory, the glory of the one and only Son, who came from the Father, full of grace and truth.*

*For the law was given through Moses; grace and truth came through Jesus Christ. No one has ever seen God, but the one and only Son, who is himself God and is in closest relationship with the Father, has made him known.*

*John 1:1-14, 17-18*

Literally – “Before beginning began”

*In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God.*

*John 1:1*

## Katalambanō

- Overcome
- Understand/Comprehend

*The light shines in the darkness, and the darkness has not overcome it.*

*John 1:5*

*For God so loved the world that he gave his one and only Son, that whoever believes in him shall not perish but have eternal life. For God did not send his Son into the world to condemn the world, but to save the world through him. Whoever believes in him is not condemned, but whoever does not believe stands condemned already because they have not believed in the name of God's one and only Son. This is the verdict: Light has come into the world, but people loved darkness instead of light because their deeds were evil. Everyone who does evil hates the light and will not come into the light for fear that their deeds will be exposed.*

*John 3:16-20*

### **Summary:**

1. Light has come (Jesus is the light)
2. Light has come to bring life
  - Biblical insight: The coming of light was the sign of new creation
3. Darkness reacts to light

### **Light is scripture:**

- Of God and His presence
- Of good
- Of wisdom and truth
- Of life
- Of kingdom of God

### **Darkness:**

- Absence of God
- Evil
- Of ignorance and deceit
- Of death

**Principle:** When Jesus brings light – we react!

- We move away or we move forward

**Bottom line:** Light has come

- I can receive the Light

*Jesus said, "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*

*Yet to all who did receive him, to those who believed in his name, he gave the right to become children of God*

*John 1:12*

- I can walk in the light

*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, purifies us from all sin.*

*If we claim to be without sin, we deceive ourselves and the truth is not in us. If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just and will forgive us our sins and purify us from all unrighteousness. If we claim we have not sinned, we make him out to be a liar and his word is not in us.*

*My dear children, I write this to you so that you will not sin. But if anybody does sin, we have an advocate with the Father—Jesus Christ, the Righteous One.*

*1 John 1:7-2:1*

- I can share the light (Light the Way!)

*Everyone ought to examine themselves before they eat of the bread and drink from the cup.*

*1 Corinthians 11:28*