Light and Darkness 1 John 1:5-7

This is the message we have heard from Him and announce to you, that God is Light, and in Him there is no darkness at all. 6 If we say that we have fellowship with Him and yet walk in the darkness, we lie and do not practice the truth; 7 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

GOD IS LIGHT!

“Let there be light and there was light.” Genesis 1:3

From the fire that led the Israelites through the wilderness (Exodus 3) to a face that radiates light (Psalm 4:6) to a light that eliminates darkness. (2 Sam. 22:29; Ezra 9:8; Psa. 13:3; 18:28; 19:7-8).

“And there will no longer be any night; and they will not have need of the light of a lamp nor the light of the sun, because the Lord God will illuminate them; and they will reign forever and ever.” Revelation 22:5

God carries the same characteristics as physical light, but He also is Light is the spiritual sense.

Holy Psalm 99
He is glorious Psalm 145:5
Radiant Ezekiel 1:28
Beautiful Psalm 27:4
full of wonder Psalm 9:1
righteous Psalm 51:14
truth Psalm 71:22
pure Psalm 51:7
sinless Hebrews 4:15
NO DARKNESS AT ALL! 1 John 1:5

God is the Light of the World

In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. 2 He was in the beginning with God. 3 All things came into being through Him, and apart from Him nothing came into being that has come into being. 4 In Him was life, and the life was the Light of men. 5 The Light shines in the darkness, and the darkness did not comprehend it. John 1:1-5

Jesus said, “While I am in the world, I am the Light of the world.” John 9:5

Then Jesus again spoke to them, saying, “I am the Light of the world; he who follows Me will not walk in the darkness, but will have the Light of life.” John 8:12

If we say that we have fellowship with Him and yet walk in the darkness, we lie and do not practice the truth. 1 John 1:6
Walking in the Light

8 for you were formerly darkness, but now you are Light in the Lord; walk as children of Light 9 (for the fruit of the Light consists in all goodness and righteousness and truth), 10 trying to learn what is pleasing to the Lord. 11 Do not participate in the unfruitful deeds of darkness, but instead even expose them; 12 for it is disgraceful even to speak of the things which are done by them in secret. 13 But all things become visible when they are exposed by the light, for everything that becomes visible is light. Ephesians 5:8-13

God is doing a good work in you! We are accepted, secure and significant!

Walking in Darkness

Darkness is:
absence or deficiency of light; wickedness and evil; lack of knowledge or enlightenment; a lack of sight.

Walking is an ongoing action. A repeat action...intentionally moving that way.

“The word “walk” expresses the notion of “behavior, conduct, and lifestyle.” To “walk in darkness” is the opposite of walking in the light. The tense of the verb “walk” is present and conveys habitual lifestyle. You cannot “walk” in darkness and be practicing the truth at the same time.” Commentator David L. Allen

“A lie doesn’t become true, wrong doesn’t become right, and evil doesn’t become good, just because it’s accepted by a majority. Booker T. Washington

“living habitually in darkness implies a determination to choose sin rather than God as one’s constant sphere of existence” Commentator Stephen Smalley

The Reflection of the Light

“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 our sins.” 1 John 1:7

1.Fellowship
2.Forgiveness
3.Impact

“You are the light of the world. A city set on a hill cannot be hidden; nor does anyone light a lamp and put it under a basket, but on the lampstand, and it gives light to all who are in the house. 16 Let your light shine before men in such a way that they may see your good works and glorify your Father who is in heaven.” Matthew 5:14-16

“You can’t go back and change the beginning, but you can start where you are and change the ending.” C.S. Lewis