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"Jesus cried-out and said, He who believes on Me, believes not on Me, but <u>on Him</u> (the Father) who sent Me. And he who sees Me sees Him (the Father) who sent Me. <u>I have come as Light</u> <u>into the world</u>, so that whoever **believes on Me** <u>should not abide in darkness</u>." (John 12:44-46)

Literal: "I, (as a) Light into the world, have-come."

I: from the Greek words <u>ergo</u> which mean: 1st person personal pronoun. In context, Jesus is speaking of Himself: that <u>He</u> is Light that has come into a world of spiritual darkness..

Light: from the Greek word *phos* which means: <u>light</u>; or a light; a source of light, radiance. divine illumination to reveal and impart life, through Christ.

Into: from the Greek word <u>eis</u> which means: <u>into</u>; implies the <u>motion</u> coming from one place into another place; indicating the point reached or entered, of place, or time.

The World: from the Greek words <u>ton kosmon</u> which means: <u>the world</u>; the universe; worldly affairs; in context: <u>the inhabitants of the world</u>;

Have Come: from the Greek word <u>elelytha</u> which mean: <u>have-come</u>; the context: Jesus has come from <u>some place other</u> than the <u>world</u> to which He has come into.

That Jesus would come as Light into a world shadowed in spiritual darkness was clearly foretold and re-prophesied. Please consider the following:

"And his, (John the Baptist's), father Zacharias was filled with the Holy Spirit, and prophesied, saying, 'And you, child (John), shall be called the prophet <u>of the Highest</u> (of God Almighty); for you shall go 'before the face of the LORD to prepare His ways;' (quote from Malachi 3:1) To give knowledge of salvation unto His people by the remission (forgiveness) of their sins, through the tender mercy of our God; by which the <u>Dayspring from on High</u> has visited us, '<u>To give Light,</u> <u>('to shine upon')</u>, to those who sit in darkness and in the shadow of death, to guide our feet into the way of peace.' " (Luke 1:76-79) (2nd quote from Isaiah 9:2)

It is important to understand that Jesus came from the Heavenly realm of Light, the Kingdom of God, where the only Light is the Father and Son Themselves. In the Book of Revelation, it is to be understood that this Kingdom of Light is and was eternally preexistent. It is from this Glorious 'place' that Jesus came as Light into a world of darkness and sinful people. Please consider the following:

"And I saw no Temple in it (in the Holy City: New Jerusalem vs 10): for the Lord God Almighty and the Lamb are the Temple of it. And the city had no need of the sun, nor of the moon, to shine in it: for the Glory of God did lighten it, and the Lamb (Jesus) is the Light of it. And the nations (peoples) of those who are saved shall walk in the Light of it. And the gates of it shall not be shut at all by day: for there shall be no night (darkness) there." ... And (again) there shall be <u>no night (darkness) there</u>: for they need no candle, nor light of the sun; for the Lord God gives them Light; and they shall reign forever and ever." (Revelation 21:22-25, ... 22:5)

It is also important to understand that Jesus did in <u>deed</u> come as Light into a world <u>where people</u> <u>were abiding in spiritual darkness</u>. Jesus came so that men might be enlightened and delivered from darkness; and that people might be born again as children of Light; as it says:

"I have come <u>as Light into the world</u>, so that whoever <u>believes on Me</u> <u>should not abide in</u> <u>darkness</u>." (John 12:46)

Abiding in Darkness: living in an existence of spiritual darkness; spiritual obscurity; ignorance of divine enlighten things; that state of living which obscures and 'blocks the Light of God when faith is lacking.'

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Please consider what Jesus Himself had to say to the people about His mission to bring Light into darkness:

"Then spoke Jesus again unto them, saying, '<u>I am the light of the world</u>: he who follows Me shall not walk in darkness, but shall have the **Light of Life**." (John 8:12)

Jesus said, "I must work the works of Him (the Father) who sent Me <u>while it is **day**</u>. The night (darkness) is coming, when no man can work. <u>As long as I am in the world</u>, **I am the Light of** <u>the World</u>." (John 9:4-5)

Please also consider what counsel Jesus Himself gave to people:

"Then Jesus said unto them, 'Yet a little while **the Light** is with you. <u>Walk while you have the Light</u>, **lest darkness come upon you**; for he who walks in darkness <u>does not know where he is going</u>. <u>While you have Light</u>, **believe in the Light**, so that you <u>may be the **Children of**</u> **Light**.' " (John 12:35-36)

"Jesus answered, 'Are there not twelve hours in the day? If any man walks <u>in the day</u>, he does not stumble, <u>because he sees the **light of this World**</u>. But if a man walks <u>in the night (in the darkness)</u>, he stumbles, <u>because there is **no Light in him**</u>." (John 11:9-10)

In Paul's vision of Jesus, he was told <u>by Jesus</u> that Paul was being sent to the Gentiles, "<u>To</u><u>open their eyes</u>, and to <u>turn them from darkness to Light</u>, and from the power of Satan unto God, so that they may receive forgiveness of sins, and inheritance among those who are sanctified **by faith** that is in <u>Me (in Jesus)</u>." (Acts 26:18)

Please also consider what others had to say concerning Jesus coming as Light into darkness:

"The same (John the Baptist) came as a witness, to bear witness of <u>the Light</u> (speaking of Jesus), <u>so that all men through Him (through Jesus) might believe</u>. He (John) was not that Light, but was sent to bear witness of <u>That Light</u>. <u>That-one</u> (Jesus) was the <u>True Light</u>, who <u>enlightens</u> every man, <u>who comes into the world</u>." (John 1:7-9 - John the apostle)

"For God, <u>who commanded **the Light** to shine out of darkness</u>, has shined in our hearts, to give the **Light** of the knowledge of the glory of God in **the face of Jesus Christ**." (<u>2 Corinthians 4:6</u> - Paul)

The Light that is Christ Jesus is the same Light that is God the Father's; for God is Light; as it says:

"This then is the message which we have heard from Him, and declare unto you, that <u>God is</u> <u>Light</u>, and in Him is no darkness <u>at all</u>. If we say that we have fellowship with him, and walk in darkness, we lie, and do not the truth. But if <u>we walk in the Light</u>, as <u>He (God the</u> <u>Father) is in the Light</u>, we have fellowship one with another, and the blood of Jesus Christ <u>His</u> Son cleanses us from all sin. If we say that we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. If we confess our sins, He is faithful and just to forgive us our sins, and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness." (I John 1:5-9)

Concerning ourselves, it is also very important to understand that Jesus came as Light into our world so that <u>we</u>, as His people, might become children of Light, even enlightened children of God. Please consider the following:

"For you were formerly darkness, <u>but now you are Light in the Lord</u>; walk as <u>Children of Light</u>." (Ephesians 5:8)

"You are **all** the **Children of Light**, and the **Children of the Day**; we are not of the night, nor <u>of darkness</u>." (I Thessalonians 5:5)

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When we ourselves abide in the Light of Christ Jesus, we then, ourselves become the Light of the World: we in Christ, and He in us! Please consider the following:

"<u>You are the Light of the World</u>. A city that is set on a hill cannot be hid. Nor do men light a candle, and put it under a bushel, but on a candlestick; and it gives light unto all who are in the house. <u>Let your Light so shine before men</u>, that they may see your good works, and glorify your Father who is in Heaven." (Matthew 5:14-16)

"Be you not <u>unequally yoked</u> together with unbelievers; for what fellowship has righteousness with unrighteousness? And <u>what communion has Light with darkness</u>?" (2 Corinthians 6:14:)

Give "thanks unto the Father, who has qualified us to be partakers of <u>the inheritance of the</u> <u>saints in Light</u>; and who has delivered us from **the power of darkness**, and has translated us <u>into</u> the <u>Kingdom of His Dear Son (Jesus)</u>; <u>In whom we have redemption through His</u> <u>blood</u>, even the forgiveness of sins: Who (speaking of Jesus) is the <u>Image of the invisible God</u>, the <u>Firstborn of All Creation</u>." (Colossians 1:12-15)

Unfortunately, many of those living in darkness chose to continue living in darkness, as it says:

"And **the Light** (Jesus) **shines in darkness**; and <u>the darkness did not comprehended it</u>. ... He (Jesus) was in the world, and the world was made through Him, and <u>the world did not know</u> <u>Him.</u> He came unto His own (His people), <u>and His own did not received Him</u>." (John 1:5, 10-11)

"And this is the condemnation, **that Light** has come into the world, <u>and **men loved darkness**</u> <u>rather than Light</u>, because their deeds were evil. For <u>every one who does evil **hates the Light**</u>, <u>nor comes into the Light</u>, lest his deeds should be reproved. But <u>he who does the truth</u> <u>comes to the Light</u>, so that his deeds may be made manifest, that they are worked-out in God." (John 3:19-21)

For those believers who do the truth, and come to the Light which is in Christ Jesus, please consider this prophetic promise concerning our <u>future home</u> in the Father's Kingdom:

"And they shall call <u>you</u> (the New Jerusalem and the citizens of it), <u>The City</u> of the LORD, <u>The Zion</u> of the Holy One of Israel. ... <u>you</u> shall call your walls Salvation, and <u>your</u> gates Praise. The sun shall no longer be <u>your</u> light by day; nor shall the brightness the moon give light unto <u>you</u>. <u>But the LORD shall be unto you **an everlasting Light**</u>, and your God your Glory. Your sun shall no more go down; nor shall your moon withdraw itself; for **the LORD shall be <u>your</u>** everlasting Light, and the days of <u>you</u>r mourning shall be ended. Then all <u>your</u> people shall be righteous!" (see Isaiah <u>60:14-21</u>)

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He came so that <u>we</u> should not abide in darkness ! He came to deliver <u>us</u> from that darkness into Light ! He came so that <u>we</u> might become Children of Light in His eternal Kingdom !

So then now <u>we</u>, while <u>we</u> are still in the world, <u>we</u> are the Light of the World !!! Christ Jesus <u>in us</u>, and <u>we in Him</u> !! Always and always !!

Dear Lord Jesus thank You for bringing the Light of Eternal Life into our lives ! In You Lord Jesus is Life, and Your Life is the Light of Men – even for <u>us</u> who believe on You! Truly, in You there is no darkness at all – for God is Light !!!

Al Praise, and Glory, and eternal Dominion is forever Yours !!