

the DAYSTAR

"For we have not followed cleverly devised fables, when we made known unto you the power and coming of our Lord Jesus Christ, but we were eyewitnesses of His majesty. For He received from God the Father honor and glory, when there came such a voice to Him from the Excellent Glory, "This is My beloved Son, in whom I am well pleased." And this voice, which came from heaven, we heard, when we were with Him on the holy mountain. We also have a more sure word of prophecy; which you do well that you take heed, as unto a light that shines in a dark place, until the day dawns, and **the Daystar** arises in your hearts." (2 Peter 1:16-19)

Daystar: from the Greek word *phosphoros* which means: "light-bringer" or "light-bearer"; and is use only this one time in the New Testament. The word is usually translated Daystar, or Morningstar; and in a literal sense was commonly used as a name for the bright planet Venus when it appears in the east before sunrise, or for the sun itself upon its rising. In the context of the quoted verses, Daystar, of course, is figuratively referring to Jesus as the light-bearing star that "arises in our hearts".

In this sense the title "**Daystar**" has similar meaning to the title "**Dayspring from on High**." Consider these scriptures concerning Jesus:

"The people who walked in darkness have seen a **Great Light**; they who dwell in the land of the shadow of death, upon them has the **Light** shined." (Isaiah 9:2)

"For you shall go before the face of the Lord to prepare His ways; to give knowledge of salvation unto His people for the remission of their sins, through the tender mercy of our God; whereby the **Dayspring from on High** has visited us, to give light to those who sit in darkness, and in the shadow of death, to guide our feet into the way of peace." (Luke 1:67-79) (the father of John th Baptist speaking to his son)

"Now when Jesus had heard that John was cast into prison, He departed into Galilee. And leaving Nazareth, He came and dwelt in Capernaum, which is upon the sea coast, in the borders of Zebulon and Naphthali; that it might be fulfilled which was spoken by Isaiah the prophet, saying, "The land of Zebulon, and the land of Naphthali, by the way of the sea, beyond Jordan, Galilee of the Gentiles; The people (us) who sat in darkness saw a **Great Light**; and to those who sat in the region and shadow of death **Light** has sprung up (dawned). From that time Jesus began to preach, and to say, Repent: for the kingdom of heaven is at hand.." (Matthew 4:12-17)

"And because you are sons, God has sent forth the Spirit of His Son into your hearts, crying, Abba, Father. Therefore you are no more a servant, but a son; and if a son, then an heir of God through Christ." (Galatians 4:6-7)

"That Christ may dwell in your hearts by faith; that you, being rooted and grounded in love, may be able to comprehend with all the saints what is the breadth, and length, and depth, and height, and to know the love of Christ, which surpasses knowledge, that you might be filled with all the fulness of God." (Ephesians 3:17-19)

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the Light-bearer, the Great Light, the Light-bringer ...

... Who "arises in our hearts"

... so that "we might be filled with all the fulness of God."

All Praise and Glory be to His Majesty Jesus!
All Praise and Honor be to the Excellent Glory, the Father!