## A GREAT LIGHT, the LIGHT of the WORLD, the TRUE LIGHT

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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)

"And, behold, there was a man in Jerusalem, whose name was Simeon; and the same man was just and devout, waiting for the Consolation of Israel: and the Holy Spirit was upon him. And it was revealed unto him by the Holy Spirit, that he should not see death, before he had seen the Lord's Christ. And he came by the Spirit into the Temple; and when the parents brought in the child Jesus, to do for Him after the custom of the law; then he took Him up into his arms, and blessed God, and said, 'Lord, now let your servant depart in peace, according to thy word; for mine eyes have seen Your Salvation, which You have prepared before the face of all people; a Light to Enlighten (literally to unveil to) the Gentiles, and the Glory of Your People Israel." (Luke 2:25-32)

**Light:** from From the Hebrew word **owr**, and the Greek word **phos** which means: Light; a source of light. In the New Testament: the manifestation of God's self-existent life; divine illumination to reveal and impart life, through Jesus Christ. Luke2:32, John12:35, John 1:5-9; 8:12; 9:5

**Enlighten:** from the Greek word *apokalupsis which means: properly: an uncovering, a l*aying bare, an unveiling, a revealing or revelation, a enlightening. "n New Testament language: a disclosure of truth, instruction, concerning divine things before unknown, especially those revelations relating to the salvation for all people. Luke2:32, John1:9

Simeon's prophecy, concerning the infant Jesus, was fulfilled and confirm by Jesus Himself, and by the Apostle John. Jesus, the Glory of God's people Israel, is the <u>True Light</u> who <u>unveils</u> a new revelation of salvation <u>for every person</u> born throughout the world, <u>and not only</u> for Gods people, the descendent's of Israel.

Consider also these passages from the scriptures:

"In him (Jesus) was life; and that Life was **the Light** of men. And <u>That **Light**</u> shines in darkness; <u>and the darkness comprehended it not</u>.

There was a man sent from God, whose name was John. The same came for a witness, to bear witness of That Light, that all men through Him might believe. He (John) was not That Light, but was sent to bear witness of That Light,. That (Jesus) was the True Light, who enlightens every man, that comes into the world. (John 1:5-9)

**Enlightens:** from the Greek word *photizo*, which means: properly, to enlighten; to light up, to illumine, to bring to light, to make evident, to reveal. Figuratively: God sharing His life, exposing and overcoming darkness through His Son Jesus. John1:9, Rev21:23,

Jesus is also the **True Light** who enlightens and illuminate a person, within their hearts, that they are sinful, and living in darkness; and are in need of the salvation that comes only through Jesus the promised Messiah, the Christ! Consider these verses:

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

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

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"And as Jesus passed by, he saw a man who was blind from his birth. And His disciples asked Him, saying, 'Master, who sinned, this man, or his parents, that he was born blind?' Jesus answered, 'Neither has this man sinned, nor his parents:; but that the works of God should be made manifest in him. I must work the works of Him who sent Me while it is day. The night (darkness) comes, when no man can work. As long as I am in the world, I am the Light of the World." (John 9:1-5)

**World:** from the Greek word *kosmou*, from *kosmos*, which means: literally, "something ordered" – properly, an "ordered system" - like the universe, the creation; the world; figuratively: <u>all</u> the inhabitants of the world. (Usually translated 'world')

#### Now, consider these Verses:

"So then, ... I was not disobedient unto the heavenly vision. But declared first unto those at Damascus, and at Jerusalem, and throughout all the coasts of Judea, and then to the Gentiles, that they should repent and turn to God, and do works fit for repentance. ... I continue unto this day, witnessing both to small and great, saying none other things than those which the prophets and Moses did say should come to pass; that Christ should suffer, and that hHe should be the first who should rise from the dead, and should show Light unto the people, and to the Gentiles." (Acts 26:19-23)

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

"For you were formerly darkness, but now are <u>you are **light** in the Lord</u>. Therefore, walk as children <u>of **the Light**</u>; for the fruit of the Spirit is in all goodness and righteousness and truth; proving what is acceptable unto the Lord. And have no fellowship with the unfruitful works of darkness,..." (Ephesians 5:8-11)

#### and these:

For God, who commanded the light to shine out of darkness, has shined in our hearts, to give the light of the knowledge of the glory of God in the face of Jesus Christ. (2 Cor. 4:6)

"But if we walk in the Light, as He (Jesus) is in the Light, we have fellowship one with another, and the blood of Jesus Christ His Son cleanses us from all sin. Again, a new commandment I write unto you, which thing is true in Him and in you: because the darkness is past, and the True Light now shines. He who says he is in the Light, and yet hates his brother, is in darkness even until now. He who loves his brother abides in the Light, and there is no occasion of stumbling in him." (I John 2:8)

# JESUS is ... the Light,

the True Light, the Great Light, the Light of Life; the Light of the World...

Who enlightens every person who comes into the world and believes in Jesus!

All praise and Glory be to Jesus Christ who is our Light of Life!

"This then is the message which we have heard from Him, and declare unto you, that God is Light, and in Him is no darkness at all." (I John 1:5)