

From the Heart of the Director

One heart at a time...one life at a time



Every year, people all over the world anticipate Christmastime with nostalgic traditions of delicious food, gatherings with family and friends, caroling, and gift giving. Twinkling lights adorning town squares, homes and trees signify the Christ child has come as the Light of the World.

There is something inexpressibly peaceful, hopeful and glorious about lights illuminating the darkness of night. Consider how the sun breaks through the darkness at the dawn of each morning, how the moon and stars shine like diamonds at night, and how a single candle dispels the darkness of a room and glows with an ambiance of warmth and peace.

These remind us of the contrast between light and darkness and these two elements are always separated. We read the first account in Genesis where God gave the first command, *"Let there be light," and there was light,... and God separated the light from the darkness.*" (Gen. 1: 3-5)

The story of the birth of Christ tells us how the angel of the Lord and a multitude of the heavenly host appeared to the shepherds by night *"and the glory of the Lord shone around them"* proclaiming good news of great joy! It also records how the star appeared in the night sky and guided the wise men to the place where the Christ child was born.

John the Baptist came *"to bear witness about the light, that all might believe... The true light, which gives light to everyone was coming into the world."* (John 1:7-9)

Jesus said, ***"I am the light of the world. Whoever follows me will not walk in darkness but will have the light of life."*** (John 8:12)

As we celebrate Christmas, may we ponder the glorious truth that the Light of the World has come to conquer the darkness and shine the light of truth in our hearts. The good news of the Gospel is that God provided a way to save us through His Son, Jesus Christ, that *we may proclaim the excellencies of Him who called us out of darkness into His marvelous light.* (1 Pet. 2:9).

Jesus tells us, *"You are the light of the world. A city set on a hill cannot be hidden. Nor do people light a lamp and put it under a basket, but on a stand, and it gives light to all in the house. In the same way, let your light shine before others, so that they may see your good works and give glory to your Father who is in heaven."* (Matt. 5:14-16)

As beacons of light, we are to proclaim the Light of the World has come and given for us because *God so loved the world that He gave His only begotten Son that whosoever believes in Him shall not perish, but have eternal life.* (Jn 3:16)

The light shines in the darkness, and the darkness has not overcome it.
(John 1:5)

Merry Christmas!

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