

Christ, the Morning Star

I Jesus have sent mine angel to testify unto you these things in the churches.

I am the root and the offspring of David,
and **the bright and morning star**.

Revelation 22:16

- As daylight approaches and the stars begin to dim, one star (Venus) stays bright at dawn. This “star” is referred to as the “morning star” or the “day star” in the Bible. Jesus calls Himself “the bright and morning star.” It is not just another way of saying He is the light of the world, but an enduring light that will bring a new day of righteousness and glory to the world, and a new day of righteousness and understanding in the hearts of those who receive Him.

*2 Peter 1:19 We have also a more sure word of prophecy; whereunto ye do well that ye take heed, as unto a light that shineth in a dark place, until the day dawn, and the **day star** arise in your hearts:*

- Bible prophecy foretold of Jesus as a “star” out of Israel that will ultimately conquer all His enemies and give light to all who live in spiritual darkness.
*Nu 24:17- I shall see him, but not now: I shall behold him, but not nigh: there shall come a **Star** out of Jacob, and a Sceptre shall rise out of Israel, and shall smite the corners of Moab, and destroy all the children of Sheth.*
*Luke 1:76-79 - And thou, child, shalt be called the prophet of the Highest: for thou shalt go before the face of the Lord to prepare his ways; To give knowledge of salvation unto his people by the remission of their sins, Through the tender mercy of our God; whereby **the dayspring from on high** hath visited us, **To give light** to them that sit in darkness and in the shadow of death, to guide our feet into the way of peace.*
- Jesus calls Himself the “light of the world,” the One who illuminates, guides, and warns those who live in spiritual darkness.
John 8:12 - Then spake Jesus again unto them, saying, I am the light of the world: he that followeth me shall not walk in darkness, but shall have the light of life.
John 12:46 - I am come a light into the world, that whosoever believeth on me should not abide in darkness.
- As the sun, stars and moon are the source of light on earth, so Christ is the source of all spiritual light and understanding.
Genesis 1:16-18 - And God made two great lights; the greater light to rule the day, and the lesser light to rule the night: he made the stars also. And God set them in the firmament of the heaven to give light upon the earth, And to rule over the day and over the night, and to divide the light from the darkness: and God saw that it was good.
Matthew 4:16 - The people which sat in darkness saw great light; and to them which sat in the region and shadow of death light is sprung up.
1 John 1:5 - This then is the message which we have heard of him, and declare unto you, that God is light, and in him is no darkness at all.

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- Sinners hide their works in darkness, but God declares His Word and work on behalf of men in the light. Nothing is hidden, all can be known by anyone!
Isaiah 29:15 - Woe unto them that seek deep to hide their counsel from the LORD, and their works are in the dark, and they say, Who seeth us? and who knoweth us?
Isaiah 45:19 - I have not spoken in secret, in a dark place of the earth: I said not unto the seed of Jacob, Seek ye me in vain: I the LORD speak righteousness, I declare things that are right.
- The Gospel message of Christ is called “light.”
2 Corinthians 4:4 - In whom the god of this world hath blinded the minds of them which believe not, lest the light of the glorious gospel of Christ, who is the image of God, should shine unto them.
2 Corinthians 4:6 - For God, who commanded the light to shine out of darkness, hath shined in our hearts, to give the light of the knowledge of the glory of God in the face of Jesus Christ.
- Those who reject the Gospel, reject light. They do so, not because they can not see the light, but because they love spiritual darkness and prefer to live in self-deception so they can continue in sin unhindered by guilt.
John 3:19-21 - And this is the condemnation, that light is come into the world, and men loved darkness rather than light, because their deeds were evil. For every one that doeth evil hateth the light, neither cometh to the light, lest his deeds should be reprov'd. But he that doeth truth cometh to the light, that his deeds may be made manifest, that they are wrought in God.
John 1:4-5 - In him was life; and the life was the light of men. And the light shineth in darkness; and the darkness comprehended it not.
- Those who reject Christ are called the children of darkness while those who receive Him are called the children of light. We are as opposite from one another as night and day and ought to live differently as those who clearly see right and wrong.
Acts 26:18 - To open their eyes, and to turn them from darkness to light, and from the power of Satan unto God, that they may receive forgiveness of sins, and inheritance among them which are sanctified by faith that is in me.
2 Corinthians 6:14 - Be ye not unequally yoked together with unbelievers: for what fellowship hath righteousness with unrighteousness? and what communion hath light with darkness?
Ephesians 5:8 - For ye were sometimes darkness, but now are ye light in the Lord: walk as children of light:
1 Thessalonians 5:5 - Ye are all the children of light, and the children of the day: we are not of the night, nor of darkness.
1 Peter 2:9 - But ye are a chosen generation, a royal priesthood, an holy nation, a peculiar people; that ye should shew forth the praises of him who hath called you out of darkness into his marvellous light:

- Christ our light gives us light through His Word in order to illuminate truth, guide us, warn us and comfort us—all things that light does.

Psalm 43:3 - O send out thy light and thy truth: let them lead me; let them bring me unto thy holy hill, and to thy tabernacles.

Psalm 119:105 - Thy word is a lamp unto my feet, and a light unto my path.

Psalm 119:130 - The entrance of thy words giveth light; it giveth understanding unto the simple.

Proverbs 6:23 - For the commandment is a lamp; and the law is light; and reproofs of instruction are the way of life:
- Christ's presence is to His children, light to live by, as necessary to spiritual life as the sun is to the day.

Psalm 18:28 - For thou wilt light my candle: the LORD my God will enlighten my darkness.

Psalm 27:1 - A Psalm of David. The LORD is my light and my salvation; whom shall I fear? the LORD is the strength of my life; of whom shall I be afraid?

Psalm 36:9 - For with thee is the fountain of life: in thy light shall we see light.

Psalm 90:8 - Thou hast set our iniquities before thee, our secret sins in the light of thy countenance.

Psalm 97:11 - Light is sown for the righteous, and gladness for the upright in heart.

Psalm 105:39 - He spread a cloud for a covering; and fire to give light in the night.

Psalm 112:4 - Unto the upright there ariseth light in the darkness: he is gracious, and full of compassion, and righteous.

Psalm 139:11 - If I say, Surely the darkness shall cover me; even the night shall be light about me.

Psalm 139:12 - Yea, the darkness hideth not from thee; but the night shineth as the day: the darkness and the light are both alike to thee.
- Foolishness is characterized as darkness and wisdom as light.

Ec 2:13 Then I saw that wisdom excelleth folly, as far as light excelleth darkness.

Isa 8:20 To the law and to the testimony: if they speak not according to this word, it is because there is no light in them.

1Jo 1:7 But if we walk in the light, as he is in the light, we have fellowship one with another, and the blood of Jesus Christ his Son cleanseth us from all sin.

1Jo 2:8-10 - 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 shineth. He that saith he is in the light, and hateth his brother, is in darkness even until now. He that loveth his brother abideth in the light, and there is none occasion of stumbling in him.
- As Christ is light to the believer so the believer is to be light to those who do not believe.

Matthew 5:14-16 Ye are the light of the world. A city that is set on an hill cannot be hid. Neither do men light a candle, and put it under a bushel, but on a candlestick; and it giveth light unto all that are in the house. Let your light so

shine before men, that they may see your good works, and glorify your Father which is in heaven.

- The more light we receive, the more light we will be given as we grow in our relationship with the Lord and in our understanding of His Word.
Proverbs 4:18 - But the path of the just is as the shining light, that shineth more and more unto the perfect day.
- In Heaven, there will be no moon, stars or sun to give light because God Himself will provide light.
Isaiah 60:19 - The sun shall be no more thy light by day; neither for brightness shall the moon give light unto thee: but the LORD shall be unto thee an everlasting light, and thy God thy glory.
- In Hell there will be perpetual darkness because God will not be there.
Jude 1:13 - Raging waves of the sea, foaming out their own shame; wandering stars, to whom is reserved the blackness of darkness for ever.
2 Peter 2:4 - For if God spared not the angels that sinned, but cast them down to hell, and delivered them into chains of darkness, to be reserved unto judgment;

Everybody Ought to Know

1st verse

Everybody ought to know,
Everybody ought to know,
Everybody ought to know
Who Jesus is.

He's the Lily of the Valley,
He's the Bright and Morning Star,
He's the fairest of ten thousand
Everybody ought to Know.

2nd verse

Everybody ought to know,
Everybody ought to know,
Everybody ought to know
Who Jesus is.

On the cross He died for sinners,
And His blood makes white as snow;
Loving, living, coming Savior,
He's the one you ought to know.