

Run to the Light

Scripture: John 3:14-21

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Message: *For God so loved the world that He gave His only Son, that whoever believes in him shall not perish but have everlasting life. ... This is the verdict: Light has come into the world, but people loved darkness instead of light because their deeds were evil.*

John 3:16, 19

Light in dark times is a comfort—just ask a small child who wakes in the middle of the night. That comfort may come from the beam of a small nightlight or, if the child is really frightened, he may run to the place where his parents can be found.

Thank God for the Light of Christ when things seem so dark in our world! We can run to Jesus when things down here seem so out of control. Honestly, these past few months leave me wondering how anyone who does not know our Lord can face each day. So much sickness, so much grieving, so much fear, intolerance, and division. If you thought that this world was really all there was, where would your hope and comfort come from? If you thought when death took you or your loved ones, that there was nothing else, how terrifying would that be?

Even though believers still experience loss and sickness and rejection, we can turn to the Light of our Savior. We can do like the old hymn says and “turn your eyes upon Jesus, look full in His wonderful face—and the things of earth will grow strangely dim, in the light of His glory and grace.”

I can actually sing that song out loud sometimes when I feel overwhelmed by circumstances that I can't control. Even though I'm not a great singer, I know that God hears me and welcomes my voice.

God also hears me when I pray or when I cry out to Him like I did in that tiny bathroom at the hospital just before my Dad passed. I cannot imagine coping with the things of this world without my Heavenly Father who sent His Son to be the Light of our world.

Prayer: *Thank you, Lord, for sending Jesus to be the Light of Our World. Thank you for the Hope you give to us every day, and thank you, especially, for the gift of eternal life. Please help us to shine our lights so that others might gain the salvation and hope we have in You. In the name of Jesus, I pray. Amen.*

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