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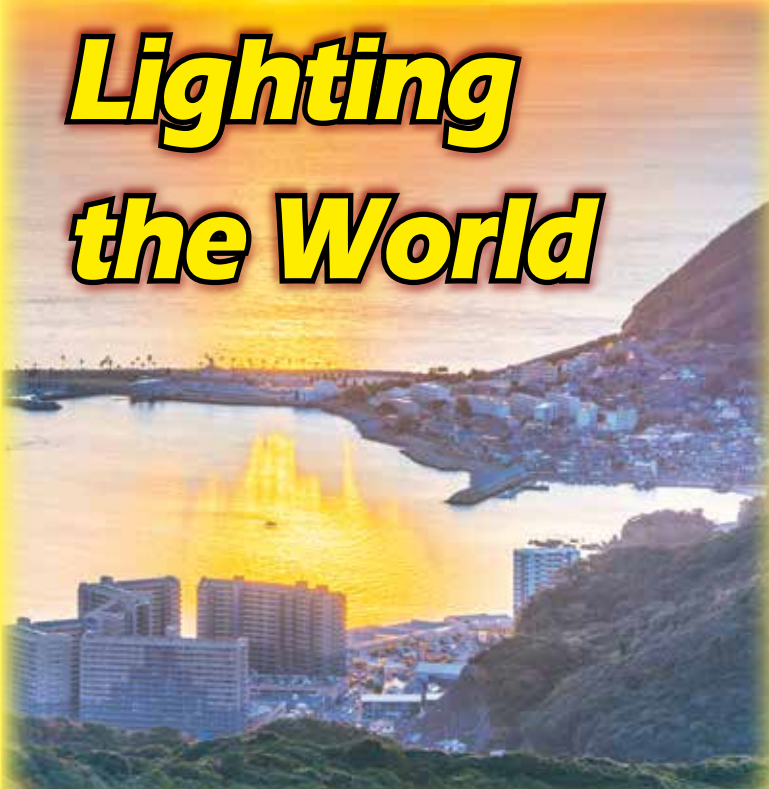
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Lighting the World



Seeking the Light

What will the future hold for me?

Will it be simply a series of random events over which I seem to have very little control? Will it mean loss of health, of loved ones, of even my dignity?

Yet the truth is that we don't need to muddle our way through life just hoping for the best.

The 'Light of the World' has made Himself accessible to us... offering His unique purpose and direction for our daily living...



Guiding Light

It's important to remember that without good lighting in our towns and cities streets would be dark and dangerous places at night.

This can remind us that light is essential if we're to know clear direction in our daily lives so as to avoid the unexpected and unforeseen hazards that can come our way.



In this the Lord Jesus Christ makes a very important promise.

I am the light of the world. Whoever follows me will never walk in darkness, but will have the light of life.

John 8:12

And even today He invites us to be 'put right' with God the Father through entering into a personal relationship, saying

...I am the way and the truth and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me.

John 14:6

Warning Light

Much illumination today is intended to make public buildings look more attractive at night. But as God looks at our daily living he sees that we can be so easily attracted to the darker side of life.

Light has come into the world, but people loved darkness instead of light because their deeds were evil.

John 3:19



And no matter how highly we may think of ourselves,

If we claim to be without sin we deceive ourselves and the truth is not in us.

1 John 1:8

With consequences as serious as they come, for...

...people are destined to die once, and after that to face judgment...

Hebrews 9:27

Thankfully, God has already established His 'rescue plan'.

Transforming Light

Just as the rising sun heralds the dawn of a new day so we can receive a brand new start in life through the death and resurrection of the Lord Jesus Christ. For...

...if any man be in Christ, he is a new creature: old things are passed away; behold, all things are become new.

2 Corinthians 5:17

In the greatest act of love the world has ever known He gave His life on the Cross of Calvary taking the penalty we deserve.

You see, at just the right time, when we were still powerless, Christ died for the ungodly.

Romans 5:6

For Christ also suffered once for sins, the righteous for the unrighteous, to bring you to God.

1 Peter 3:18

Yet this doesn't give us peace with God automatically. We're called (actually we're commanded) to turn from all we know to be wrong and seek His forgiveness.

And along with this new beginning we're given the capacity to live a new lifestyle, pleasing to Him through the power of the Holy Spirit who comes to live within us.



Reflected Light

Although we don't deserve and can't earn acceptance with God, there is nevertheless a cost in becoming a true follower of the Lord Jesus Christ, who says...

Whoever wants to be my disciple must deny themselves and take up their cross daily and follow me

Luke 9:23

And it's wonderful to know that we're not expected to 'keep it up' in our own strength.

He wants to live in us and through us by His Spirit and for those who do He says...

You are the light of the world... let your light shine before others, that they may see your good deeds and glorify your Father in heaven.

Matthew 5:14&16

And He promises to be with us always, no matter what lies ahead, saying

Never will I leave you; never will I forsake you.

Hebrews 13:5



True Light

Following a difficult and dangerous voyage there's nothing quite so reassuring as the welcoming lights of a harbour.

And yet so many of us still prefer to go our own way rejecting the 'harbour' of God's love, mercy and care and of course the promise of everlasting security.

For God so loved the world that he gave his one and only Son, that whoever believes in him shall not perish but have eternal life.

John 3:16



After all, ignoring Him and His right to order our lives will leave us facing unthinkable peril.

...whoever does not believe stands condemned already...

John 3:18

So today, why not reach out to the Lord Jesus Christ...

The true light that gives light to everyone...

John 1:9

...and discover that He is already reaching out to you!