



## THE TRUE LIGHT

**SCRIPTURAL LESSON:** *John 1:5-14*

**GOSPEL TRUTH:**

Jesus was sent to bring Light to a world full of darkness. Jesus lights the path that leads to heaven and He has given us the keys to heaven (the gospel of the kingdom of God) as stated in *John 3:5*, *Acts 2:38* and *Acts 4:12*. As we testify and preach the gospel of Good News, others will see Jesus (the True Light) inside us which will help lead them to salvation and eternal life.

**GOLDEN SCRIPTURE:**

*That was the true Light, which lighteth every man that cometh into the world (John 1:9).*

**THE APOSTOLIC FAITH CHURCH DOCTRINES:**

1. Jesus was there when God the Father created all things (*John 1:1-4*).
2. The forerunner was sent as a witness of the True Light (*Isaiah 40:3; Matthew 3:1-3*).
3. Jesus is the Light of the world, wherein there is no darkness (*John 8:12*).
4. Jesus came unto His own and was rejected by them (*Isaiah 53:3*).
5. Jesus is the only begotten Son of God (*John 3:16-18; I John 4:9*).

**BACKGROUND SETTING:**

The world that we live in is full of darkness, not because of the lack of light but for the darkness in the hearts of mankind. Right now, everywhere you look there is nothing but evil. Everything that is or was good is considered bad and everything that was at one time considered evil is now considered good. The world has turned everything upside down. *“Woe unto them that call evil good, and good evil; that put darkness for light, and light for darkness; that put bitter for sweet, and sweet for bitter!” (Isaiah 5:20)*. Jesus Christ, the True Light and only begotten Son of God, was sent to light the path that leads to eternal life. *“. . . I am the light of the world: he that followeth me shall not walk in darkness, but shall have the light of life” (John 8:12)*.

**LESSON SUMMARY:**

In today’s lesson, we see how Jesus was there with God in the very beginning, witnessing the creation of all things. *“And God said, Let there be light: and there was light” (Genesis 1:3)*. God said those words and the light appeared and gave physical light to the world. That physical light gave light and life to the entire world. When Jesus came, He brought Spiritual Light and eternal life to the world. As true believers in Christ Jesus, we live in a world of darkness. But Jesus is the True Light that gives us direction: He guides us with His Word, He comforts and protects us by His Holy Spirit (*John 14:26-27*). If we follow Jesus, we shall not walk in darkness because there is no darkness in Jesus, there is only Light. And one day, the True Light, Jesus Christ will say those three words “Come Up Hither” and we shall meet Him in the clouds to reign with Him for eternity (*I Thessalonians 4:16-17; Revelation 4:1*).

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