ILLUMINATE

His Light For You

*Today in the town of David a Savior has been born to you; He is Christ the Lord. This will be a sign to you: You will find a baby wrapped in cloths and lying in a manger.* ***(Luke 2:11-12)***

***In the manger: Divine light in human form –*** *“In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God…In Him was life, and that life was the light of men.”* ***(John 1:1, 4)***

***In the dark: the fear of illumination –*** *“This is the verdict: Light has come into the world, but men loved darkness instead of light because their deeds were evil. Everyone who does evil hates the light and will not come into the light for fear that his deeds will be exposed.”* ***(John 3:19-20)***

***In the light: faith and forgiveness –*** *“I am sending you to them to open their eyes and turn them from darkness to light, and from the power of Satan to God, so that they may receive forgiveness of sins and a place among those who are sanctified by faith in me.”* ***(Acts 26:17b-18)***

*For God, who said, “Let light shine out of darkness,” made His light shine in our hearts to give us the light of the knowledge of the glory of God in the face of Christ.* ***(2 Cor. 4:6)***

***In response: living out the light within –*** *“For you were once darkness, but now you are light in the Lord. Live as children of light (for the fruit of the light consists in all goodness, righteousness and truth) and find out what pleases the Lord.”* ***(Eph. 5:8-10)***

* ***Trusting God –*** *“The LORD is my light and my salvation – whom shall I fear?”* ***(Psalm 27:1)***
* ***Following Scripture –*** *“Your word is a lamp to my feet and a light for my path.”* ***(Psalm 119:105)***
* ***Loving others –*** *“Anyone who claims to be in the light but hates his brother is still in the darkness. Whoever loves his brother lives in the light, and there is nothing in him to make him stumble.”* ***(1 John 2:9-10)***
* ***Influencing the world –*** *“You are the light of the world. A city on a hill cannot be hidden. Neither do people light a lamp and put it under a bowl. Instead, they put it on its stand, and it gives light to everyone in the house. In the same way, let your light shine before men, that they may see your good deeds and praise your Father in heaven.”* ***(Matt. 5:14-16)***

*But you are a chosen people, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, a people belonging to God, that you may declare the praises of Him who called you out of darkness into His wonderful light.*

***(1 Peter 2:9)***