

The Word Is Light Sun Am 2/16/19

Genesis 1:1-3 (NKJV)

1 In the beginning God created the heavens and the earth.

²The earth was without form, and void; and darkness *was* on the face of the deep. And the Spirit of God was hovering over the face of the waters.

³Then God said, “Let there be light”; and there was light.

Psalms 119:105 (NKJV)

¹⁰⁵Your word *is* a lamp to my feet And a light to my path.

God's Word is the way of truth, the way of God, the way of righteousness, the way of salvation, the source of hope, a source of comfort, a source of wisdom, a source of knowing, a lamp to the feet, a light to the pathway of life, a source of joy when obeyed.

Psalms 119:130 (NKJV)

¹³⁰The entrance of Your words gives light; It gives understanding to the simple.

God is light.

1 John 1:5 (NKJV)

⁵This is the message which we have heard from Him and declare to you, that God is light and in Him is no darkness at all.

John 1:1-9 (NKJV)

1 In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God.

²He was in the beginning with God.

³All things were made through Him, and without Him nothing was made that was made.

⁴In Him was life, and the life was the light of men.

⁵ And the light shines in the darkness, and the darkness did not comprehend it.

⁶ There was a man sent from God, whose name *was* John.

⁷ This man came for a witness, to bear witness of the Light, that all through him might believe.

⁸ He was not that Light, but *was sent* to bear witness of that Light.

⁹ That was the true Light which gives light to every man coming into the world.

The Word refers to Christ.

John 3:16-20 (NKJV)

¹⁶ For God so loved the world that He gave His only begotten Son, that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have everlasting life.

¹⁷ For God did not send His Son into the world to condemn the world, but that the world through Him might be saved.

¹⁸ “He who believes in Him is not condemned; but he who does not believe is condemned already, because he has not believed in the name of the only begotten Son of God.

¹⁹ And this is the condemnation, that the light has come into the world, and men loved darkness rather than light, because their deeds were evil.

²⁰ For everyone practicing evil hates the light and does not come to the light, lest his deeds should be exposed.

John 8:12 (NKJV)

¹² Then Jesus spoke to them again, saying, “I am the light of the world. He who follows Me shall not walk in darkness, but have the light of life.”

John 12:35-36 (NKJV)

³⁵ Then Jesus said to them, “A little while longer the light is with you. Walk while you have the light, lest darkness overtake you; he who walks in darkness does not know where he is going.

³⁶ While you have the light, believe in the light, that you may become sons of light.” These things Jesus spoke, and departed, and was hidden from them.

Life is different between the born again believer and the natural person.

1 Corinthians 2:12 (NKJV)

¹² Now we have received, not the spirit of the world, but the Spirit who is from God, that we might know the things that have been freely given to us by God.

Division and strife keep this Word from entering in.

1 Corinthians 3:3 (NKJV)

³ for you are still carnal. For where *there are* envy, strife, and divisions among you, are you not carnal and behaving like *mere men*?

Which cuts us off from our life and power source.

Ephesians 4:17-18 (NKJV)

¹⁷ This I say, therefore, and testify in the Lord, that you should no longer walk as the rest of the Gentiles walk, in the futility of their mind,

¹⁸ having their understanding darkened, being alienated from the life of God, because of the ignorance that is in them, because of the blindness of their heart;

John 6:53-63 (NKJV)

⁵³ Then Jesus said to them, “Most assuredly, I say to you, unless you eat the flesh of the Son of Man and drink His blood, you have no life in you.

⁵⁴ Whoever eats My flesh and drinks My blood has eternal life, and I will raise him up at the last day.

⁵⁵ For My flesh is food indeed, and My blood is drink indeed.

⁵⁶ He who eats My flesh and drinks My blood abides in Me, and I in him.

⁵⁷ As the living Father sent Me, and I live because of the Father, so he who feeds on Me will live because of Me.

⁵⁸ This is the bread which came down from heaven—not as your fathers ate the manna, and are dead. He who eats this bread will live forever.”

⁵⁹ These things He said in the synagogue as He taught in Capernaum.

⁶⁰ Therefore many of His disciples, when they heard *this*, said, “This is a hard saying; who can understand it?”

⁶¹ When Jesus knew in Himself that His disciples complained about this, He said to them, “Does this offend you?”

⁶² *What* then if you should see the Son of Man ascend where He was before?

⁶³ It is the Spirit who gives life; the flesh profits nothing.
The words that I speak to you are spirit, and *they* are life.

Eating and drinking is used figuratively of the benefits of the death of Christ. We partake by faith and enjoy the benefits because God gives them on the basis of what Christ did for us.

Romans 5:1-2(NKJV)

5 Therefore, having been justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ,

² through whom also we have access by faith into this grace in which we stand, and rejoice in hope of the glory of God.

Eating is used figuratively of partaking of spiritual food.

1 Corinthians 10:1-3 (NKJV)

10 Moreover, brethren, I do not want you to be unaware that all our fathers were under the cloud, all passed through the sea,

² all were baptized into Moses in the cloud and in the sea,

³ all ate the same spiritual food,

We have passed from death unto life.