



## Ministry of Reconciliation (MOR) Bible Teachings

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MOR-Bible, which is by God the Father and the Lord Jesus Christ, grace, God's unmerited divine favor, be to you and peace, an absolute end of all strife or trouble, from God our Father and from the Lord Jesus Christ to the faithful in Christ Jesus.

We give thanks to God and the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ and our Father for His light that lighted each of His children. For His Word is *a lamp unto our feet and a light unto our path* (Psalm 119:105). Thanks be to God our Father that we have been delivered from the power of darkness by the accomplished work of His son the Lord Jesus Christ. Amen.

In this month's teaching, we will perform a word study on the Greek word *phos* used for our English word "light." We will learn:

- God is light.
- Jesus Christ is light.
- We are children of the light.
- The way we can shine light in our lives and in others' lives.

According to scriptures, light was created in the first day of creation (see Genesis 1:3) before the sun was created on the fourth day (see Genesis 1:14-19). Genesis 1:2 tells us:

*And the earth was without form, and void; and darkness was upon the face of the deep. And the Spirit of God moved upon the face of the waters.*

As it is written in Genesis 1:3:

*And God said, let there be light: and there was light.*

The first thing God, Elohim, the creator said was *let there be light*. He got rid of the darkness, and God, the creator of the heaven and earth and all things contained therein, spoke light into being. In the Bible, light signifies purity, prosperity, honor, joy, and all manner of happiness in this world and the next.

Note: The sources for all Greek-English words are Strong's Exhaustive Concordance of the Bible, The Critical Lexicon and Concordance to the English and Greek New Testament (Bullinger), Young's Analytical Concordance to the

Bible, The Word Study Concordance by George V. Wigram and Ralph D. Winter, [The Bible Hub](#), and Webster's Desk Dictionary of the English Language. Note: Bold used for highlighting.

God is light or *phos*.

As it is written in 1 John 1:5:

*This then is the message which we have heard of him (God), and declare unto you, that God is **light** [*phós* or the light], and in him is no darkness at all.*

The word *light* is the Greek word *phos*. It comes from the obsolete *phao* or to shine or make manifest. It is written in Psalm 36:9:

*For with thee is the fountain of life: in thy **light** shall we see **light**.*

The light of God is so prevailing it puts the physical energy into all things upon this earth. God, Elohim, the one supreme whom is the fountain of life and light, is the source of all life and light. Outside of God we shall not see light! God is what? Light! And in him there is no what? Darkness at all. Where light shines there is no place for darkness to exist. Darkness is the absence of light. Oftentimes, in the Bible, darkness is used to represent a separation from fellowship with God who is light! Darkness is not found in the one true God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ!

Light is the primary Biblical image for God's self-disclosure, moral purity, saving truth, and transforming power. Wherever light appears, darkness is either dispelled or exposed and a decisive movement toward life, goodness, righteousness and truth are implied. Let's look at 1 John 1:6-10 starting with verse 6:

*If we say that we have fellowship with him (God), and walk in darkness, we lie, and do not the truth.*

In this verse, *darkness* is anything contrary to God's Word! And when we *walk in darkness* what do we do? *We lie*. And as a consequence, we *do not* do what? *the truth!*

1 John 1:7-8:

*But if we walk in the **light** [*phos* – the light], as he (God) is in the **light** [*phos* – the light], we have fellowship one with another, and the blood of Jesus Christ his Son cleanseth us from all sin.*

*If we say that we have no sin [broken fellowship], we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.*

Once we are born-again of God's Spirit, we have remission of sins and are children of God. This occurs only once when we are born-again. Now, as children of God, in our physical walk, we sometimes break fellowship with God our Father. Continue with 1 John 1:9-10:

*If we confess our sins [broken fellowship], he [God] is faithful and just to forgive us our sins [broken fellowship], and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness.*

*If we say that we have not sinned [broken fellowship], we make him [God] a liar, and his word is not in us.*

To be in fellowship with God is to have full sharing with God our Father. God our Father knew that we would not always walk in the light, that we would break fellowship with him at times. So, He lovingly made a way for us to get back in fellowship with Him. Our fellowship is sustained by faithfully exposing our minds to the light of God's Word and acting on it.

Here's an example of what I mean. . . When I come into a room that is dark and turn on the light switch, the darkness disappears. The same thing happens when we preach and teach God's Word about salvation. When a person believes God's Word on salvation (see Romans 10:9-10) and confesses Jesus as Lord and believes in their heart that God raised him from the dead, that person has been delivered from the power of darkness and becomes a child of the light God (see 1 Thessalonians 5:5). That person is given citizenship in God's Kingdom by the accomplished work of Jesus Christ (see Colossians 1:13). So, just as darkness is dispelled by turning on a light switch, so is the darkness dispelled when a person is born-again.

As it is written in Job 29:3:

*When his [Elohim] candle shined upon my head, and when by his **light** I walked through darkness.*

When God's, Elohim's, light shined upon Job's head, Job walked through darkness with the light of God. As it is written in James 1:17:

*Every good gift and every perfect gift is from above, and cometh down from the Father of **lights** [phos - the light], with whom is no variableness, neither shadow of turning.*

Jesus Christ is light or *phos*.

Jesus Christ described himself as *the light* multiple times in the Bible. As it is written in John 8:12:

*Then spake Jesus again unto them, saying, I am the **light** [phos - the light] of the world: he that followeth me shall not walk in darkness, but shall have the **light** [phos - the light] of life.*

Jesus told the scribes, Pharisees, and other people gathered together that he is *the light* or *phos of the world*. As it is written in John 9:5:

*As long as I [Jesus] am in the world, I am the **light** [phos - the light] of the world.*

As it is written in John 12:46:

*I am come a **light** [phos - the light] into the world, that whosoever believeth on me should not abide in darkness.*

Jesus came as the light into the world and whosoever believed on him would not walk or abide in darkness. Without the light of Jesus Christ, you walk and abide in darkness.

When we look at all that is going on in the world today – lying, murder, division, hatred – revenge, it is darkness. People who do these things walk and abide in darkness because they have rejected the light of God and His son the light of life, Jesus Christ! Remember 1 John 1:8:

*If we say that we have no sin [broken fellowship], we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.*

People who are born-again, but break fellowship with God by lying, committing murder, seeking revenge, festering division, expressing hatred, are in darkness. They deceive themselves that they are doing these things in the name of God. God is NOT darkness, God is light. These acts of darkness are committed by people who have broken fellowship with God and are NOT in the light. They can't say they do hate or lie or murder or revenge or divide people because God's Word tells them to do these dark actions. I repeat myself: GOD IS LIGHT AND IN HIM IS NO DARKNESS AT ALL!

The first usage of the Greek word *phos* is documented in Matthew 4:16. We will read verse 17 for context.

*The people which sat in darkness saw great **light** [phos - the light]; and to them which sat in the region and shadow of death **light** [phos - the light] is sprung up.*

The word *sprung* in this verse is the Greek word *anatelló* meaning to rise, to spring up, to cause to rise. In this verse, *the people* did not just see light, they saw *great light!* The word *light* is used twice in this verse to double establish the greatness of the light that *sprung up!* How did they see this great light? Verse 17:

*From that time Jesus began to preach, and to say, Repent: for the kingdom of heaven is at hand.*

The word *preach* is the Greek word *kérussó* which means to proclaim, to preach, or to herald. The *great light* in verse 16 was manifested by Jesus preaching the Word of the light of God His Father! So, if we want great light and understanding, we must understand God's Word!

We are children of the light or *phos*.

When I confessed the Lord Jesus and believed in my heart that God had raised him from the dead, then I was saved (see Romans 10:9-10). Now, I am a child of the light (see Ephesians 5:8). Now, it is God in Christ (see 2 Corinthians 5:19) in me the hope of glory (see Colossians 1:27)! Beloved, now we are the sons and daughters of God (see 1 John 3:2).

As a born-again believer, we must let God's light so radiate in us that not even one little gap of darkness remain in any place in our life. As it is written in Ephesians 5:13

*All things that are reprov'd are made manifest by the **light** [phos - the light]: for whatsoever doth make manifest is **light** [phos - the light].*

As we read, re-read, study, and rightly divide God's Word and preach and teach God's Word and operate the gift of holy spirit and the nine manifestations (see 1 Corinthians 12:7-11), producing the nine fruits of the spirit (see Galatians 5 :22-23), we are the light of the world! Why? Because, we have God in Christ in us! The Word of God is the light! God is light, His Word is Light, and through Jesus Christ, we are children of the light.

As it is written in Ephesians 5:1:

*Be ye therefore followers [imitators] of God, as dear [beloved] children.*

God is light (see 1 John 1:5) and therefore we imitate God as beloved children of the light. God, who is light, has provided for us His Word, which enlightened our eyes and illuminated the path we walk in. Why? So that we can walk in fellowship with Him and His son, the Lord Jesus Christ.

Let's look at Ephesians 5:8-9. We will start with verse 8:

*For ye were sometimes darkness but now are ye **light** [phos - the light] in the Lord [master]: walk as children of **light** [phos - the light].*

This verse starts out by saying *ye were darkness* because we were not yet born-again of God's Spirit. This is a figure of speech or metaphor. The word is the same Greek word *phos* used for God is the light in 1 John 1:5. This verse goes on to say *now are ye light in the Lord*. We are light itself in the Lord who is our master! The word *walk* in this verse in the Aramaic literally means "therefore walk in like manner." In other words, we walk in the light, in like manner as the Lord our master did! The phrase *children of* or "children out of" expresses the relationship between the children and the quality of the light, and that light is God (see 1 John 1:5)!

As it was written in Psalm 119:130:

*The entrance of thy words giveth **light**; it giveth understanding unto the simple.*

God's Word gives us *light* and *understanding* as it enters our hearts and minds. The word *simple* in this verse means purehearted, like a child who is eager to learn. As children of the light, we eagerly go to God's Word with a pure heart to read it, study it, put it into our minds, and take actions aligned with it. The entrance of God's Word gives us *light* and *understanding*. If I want light and understanding, I must study God's Word with a pure heart and renew my mind and manifest His Word in my walk as a child of the light.

Let's continue with Ephesians 5:9:

*(For the fruit of the Spirit [**light**] is in all goodness and righteousness and truth).*

The word *Spirit* in this verse is the word "light." The walk of children of light entails three things:

1. *Goodness*: Good, beneficial, virtuous and kindness, the quality of a person who is ruled by and aims at the light rather than darkness.
2. *Righteousness*: The God-given justification whereby a person stands in the presence of God without any consciousness of sin, guilt, condemnation or shortcoming. We received righteousness when we were born-again (see Romans 10:9-10).
3. *Truth*: True, truthful, genuine. The Word of God is truth (see John 17:17)!

When we walk as children of the light, we manifest His goodness, righteousness, and truth! It is written in 1 Thessalonians 5:5:

*Ye are all the children of **light** [phos - the light], and the children of the day: we are not of the night, nor of darkness.*

The way we can shine light in our lives and in others' lives.

There are several ways we can impact our lives and the lives of others by shining our light as children of God.

First, we can preach and teach people that Jesus is Christ, the anointed one, the Messiah, and is the son of God raised from the dead and set down at the right hand of God his Father.

Secondly, we can teach others how to be born-again of God's Spirit by confessing Jesus as Lord and believing in their heart that God raised Jesus from the dead (see Romans 10:9-10).

Thirdly, we can study and rightly divide God's Word to dwell richly in the light of God's Word. This is the way we can dispel the darkness from our own life. At the same time, we can teach others how to study and rightly divide God's Word in order to dwell richly in the light of God's Word.

And finally, we can talk and walk (act) according to God's Word. By putting God's Word on in our hearts, our speech, and our walk, we light up our area with the light of God's Word!

Four actions we can take to shine our light in our life and in the lives of others.

1. Preach and teach people that Jesus is Christ and the son of God.
2. Teach others how to be born-again.
3. Study and rightly divide God's Word and teach others how to do this.

4. Talk and walk God's Word by manifesting His goodness, righteousness, and truth.

As it is written in Philippians 2:15-16. We will start with verse 15:

*That ye may be blameless and harmless, the sons of God, without rebuke, in the midst of a crooked and perverse nation, among whom ye shine as **lights** in the world.*

The word *lights* in this verse is the Greek word *phóstér* meaning light, luminary, and is from the Greek word *phos*. We shine as luminaries in the world because of God in Christ in us for all to see. We are the light of the world! We are like the sun that lighted the earth and dispelled the darkness. We radiate and flood every place with light because of the God in Christ in us! We are the living Word of God! And how do we do this? Turn to verse 16:

*Holding forth the word of life; that I may rejoice in the day of Christ, that I have not run in vain, neither laboured in vain.*

It is the Word of God in which we can *shine as lights in the world*. As we *rejoice in the day of Christ*, we are children of the light. As we study and rightly divide God's Word and teach others, we dispel the darkness. As it is written in Acts 17:6:

*These [Paul, Silas and Timothy] that have turned the world upside down are come hither also.*

How did they turn *the world upside down*? By preaching and teaching the Word of God fully and clearly that Jesus is Christ, the anointed one, the Messiah, is the son of God and that he was raised from the dead and set down at the right hand of God his Father. When the people, with one accord, believed the Word of God that was preached and taught to them, the preachers and teachers performed miracles, by operating the nine manifestations of the gift of holy spirit (see 1 Corinthians 12:7-11).

To God be glory through Jesus Christ our Lord for giving such power unto us! This is the way we manifest the light of God as children of the light. I will repeat how this section started because I want you to put this on in your heart. Turn these into ACTION ITEMS to do daily:

First, we can preach and teach people that Jesus is Christ, the anointed one, the Messiah, and is the son of God raised from the dead and set down at the right hand of God his Father.

Secondly, we can teach others how to be born-again of God's Spirit by confessing Jesus as Lord and believing in their heart that God raised Jesus from the dead (see Romans 10:9-10).

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As it is written in 1 Thessalonians 1:5:

*For our gospel came not unto you in word only, but also in power, and in the Holy Ghost [holy spirit], and in much assurance.*

As it is written in Ephesians 3:20:

*Now unto him [God] that is able to do exceeding abundantly above all that we ask or think, according to the power that worketh in us.*

We are currently living in a crooked and perverse nation filled with darkness. Our nation desperately needs the light of God's Word. We, as children of the light, must manifest God's light within us outwardly for all to see. We are the light of the world! When people see us, they must see the light of our Father's Word!

We preach and teach the Word of God wholly and plainly, that it is God in Christ in us, the hope of glory. We are the children of light and of the day. Each one of us can be a minister of light by leading people into the new spiritual birth, therefore, bringing light into that person in this world. We can teach others how to receive into manifestation the gift of holy spirit and how to operate the nine manifestations of the gift of holy spirit. We got this, people. Let's go out and shine our light!

In this month's teaching, we learned that *God is light and in him is no darkness at all* (1 John 1:5). We learned that Jesus Christ is the light of life (John 8:12). And we saw how we are children of the light. Remember, when we confessed the Lord Jesus and believed in our hearts that God had raised him from the dead, we were saved (see Romans 10:9-10). Now, we are children of the light (see Ephesians 5:8). Now, it is God in Christ (see 2 Corinthians 5:19) in us the hope of glory (see Colossians 1:27)! Beloved, now are we the sons and daughters of God (see 1 John 3:2).

When we walk as children of the light, we manifest our Father's goodness, righteousness, and truth! We must act as children of the light, and teach, speak, and walk as God's children. We must shine God's light to dispel the darkness in our nation. We must light up so much that others will come to us and learn how to be born-again. Let's get to work!

Father we are so grateful and thankful for your light that is eternal within each of us. Father, we pray for more boldness to manifest your light in our walk of life, holding forth your Word of life so that people will see our good works and glorify you. For our hearts' desire, as beloved children of the light, is to manifest your goodness, righteousness, and truth. In the name of our Lord Jesus Christ. Amen.

In the Lord,

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