

Lesson 24

1 John 1:7 But if we walk in the light, as he is in the light, we have fellowship with one another, and the blood of Jesus, his Son, purifies us from all sin.

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We can declare with all certainty that we live in a dark world. The nightly news includes murder, rape, a holdup and threat of a third World War. Even though we are in the birth pangs of the end times, there is reason for hope. There is a roadway that we can call dynamic. It is powerful and life giving.

Walking in the light pathway shows us areas of our life.

#1 It enables us to cease walking in darkness as we have already done.

#2 The Lord is light - not *like* light. He is!

#3 The Light demonstrates our own inadequacies and weaknesses.

His light is diffused, pure and glorious. God has always been a light as demonstrated by the pillar of fire in the wilderness and in the fire that descended on Mount Sinai. If we are on the lighted path with fellow travelers, we will have fellowship with the Lord in our brothers and sisters.

Blood in the Jewish culture meant death but also life. Jesus was the sacrifice for our sins and His resurrection meant life for all of us - that is eternal life. Remember we can't both travel on the road of light and the road of darkness. We must stay close to Jesus as His blood is continually cleansing us and continually purifies us.

Hebrews 9:14 illuminates the road of light. "How much more will the blood of Christ who through the eternal spirit offered Himself without blemish to God, cleanse our consciousness from dead works to serve the living God."

Ephesians 5:8-11 "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."

Prayer: Lord, we praise your name that we are children of the light. May we shun darkness by the power of your word and devotion to the only light.