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Bible Study  
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# The Nature Of God

## Part 1

### Light...and Darkness

Psalms 27:1 The LORD **is my light and my salvation;** whom shall I fear? the LORD is the strength of my life; of whom shall I be afraid?

# What can we know ?



Job 9:10 Which doeth great things **past finding out**; yea, and wonders without number.

Romans 11:33 ¶O the depth of the riches both of the wisdom and knowledge of God! how unsearchable are his judgments, **and his ways past finding out!**



# What can we know ?

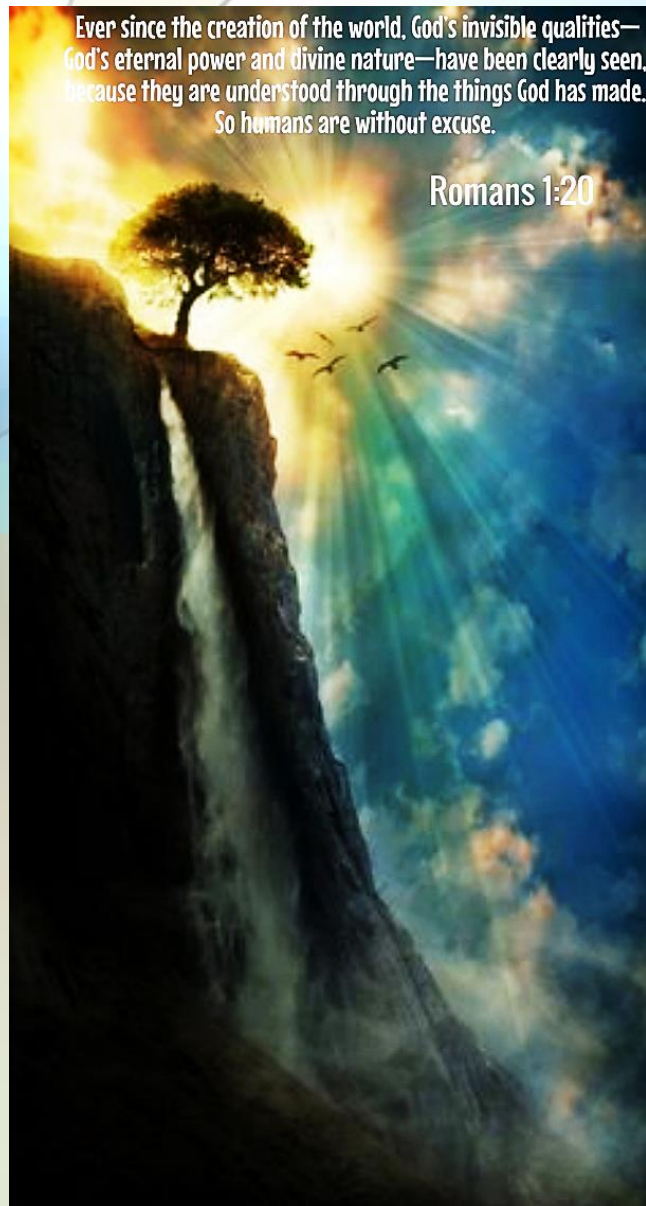


Romans 1:18 For the wrath of God is revealed from heaven against all ungodliness and unrighteousness of men, who hold the truth in unrighteousness;

19 ¶ **Because that which may be known of God is manifest in them;** for God hath shewed it unto them.

20 For the invisible things of him from the creation of the world are clearly seen, **being understood by the things that are made, even his eternal power and Godhead;** so that they are without excuse:

# The Eternal Power & Godhead



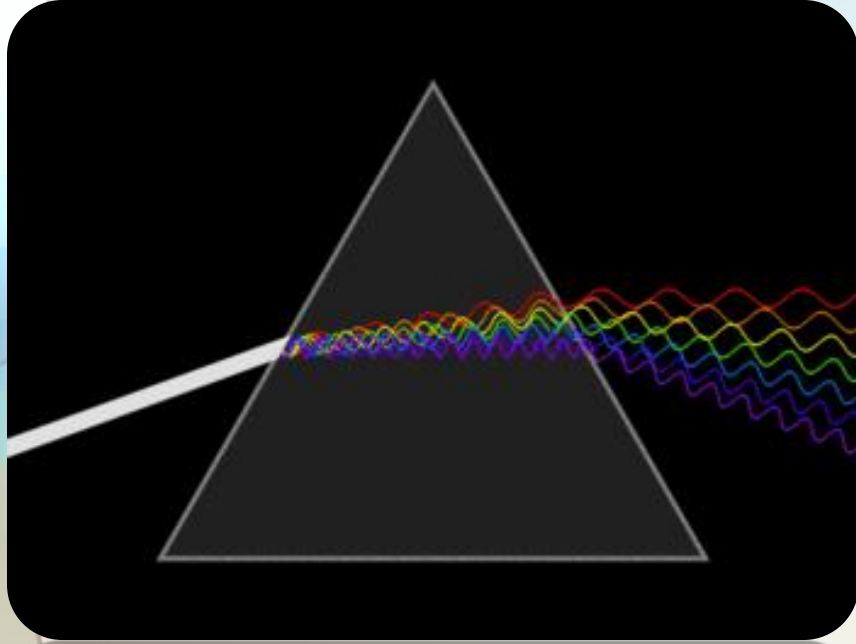
Ever since the creation of the world, God's invisible qualities—  
God's eternal power and divine nature—have been clearly seen,  
because they are understood through the things God has made.  
So humans are without excuse.

Romans 1:20

Isaiah 40:28 Hast thou not known? hast thou not heard, that **the everlasting God, the LORD, the Creator of the ends of the earth,** fainteth not, neither is weary? there is no searching of his understanding.

Revelation 1:8 - “I am the Alpha and the Omega, says the Lord God, **who is and who was, and who is to come. The Almighty.**”

# The Nature of God(Light)



The primary properties of visible light are **intensity**, **direction**, **frequency**, and **polarization**, while its speed in a vacuum, 299,792,458 metres per second, is one of the fundamental constants of nature.

*Psalms 104:2 **Who coverest thyself with light** as with a garment: who stretchest out the heavens like a curtain:*



# The Nature Of God: Father of Lights



GOD IS  
LIGHT

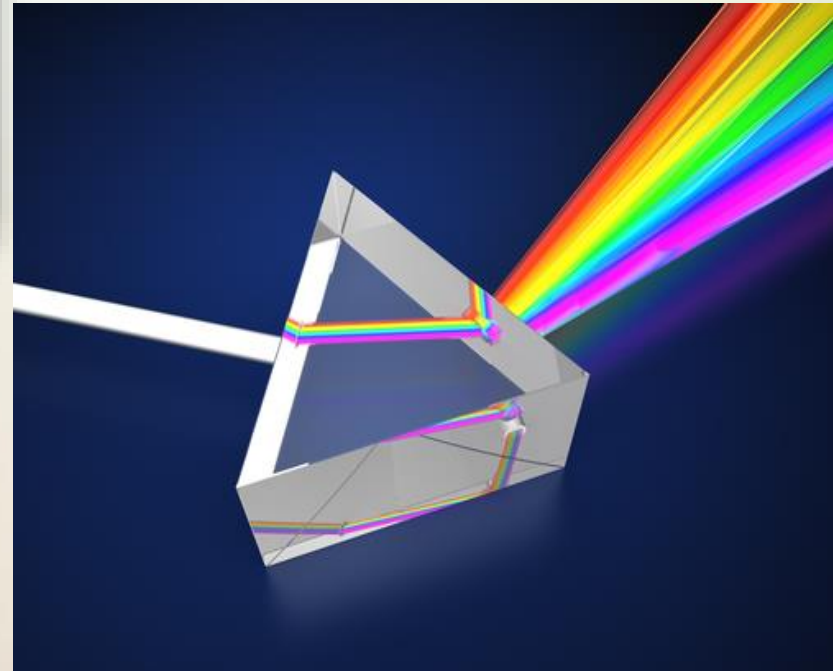
- James 1:17 Every good gift and every perfect gift is from above, and cometh down from the **Father of lights**, with whom is no variableness, neither shadow of turning.
- Revelation 21:23 And the city had no need of the sun, neither of the moon, to shine in it: **for the glory of God did lighten it, and the Lamb is the light thereof.**

*1 Timothy 6:16 Who only hath immortality, **dwelling in the light** which no man can approach unto; whom no man hath seen, nor can see: to whom be honour and power everlasting. Amen.*

# How does “Light” Create ?



- To create a picture from Light, frequencies (Colors) have to be filtered (*subtracted*)!





# The Nature of God: I am The LIGHT



John 8:12 ¶Then spake Jesus again unto them, saying, **I am the light of the world:** he that followeth me shall not walk in darkness, but shall have the light of life.

John 12:35 Then Jesus said unto them, Yet a little while is the light with you. Walk while ye have the light, lest darkness come upon you: for he that walketh in darkness knoweth not whither he goeth.

36 While ye have light, believe in the light, that ye may be the children of light. These things spake Jesus, and departed, and did hide himself from them.

# God of Light Created by “Subtraction”



Philippians 2:5 Let this mind be in you, which was also in Christ Jesus:

6 Who, being in the form of God, thought it not robbery to be equal with God:

7 But made himself of no reputation, and took upon him the form of a servant, and was made in the likeness of men:

*7 but did empty himself, (SUBTRACTED) the form of a servant having taken, in the likeness of men having been made, 8 and in fashion having been found as a man, he humbled himself, having become obedient unto death -- death even of a cross, Youngs Literal Translation*

# Darkness

*What can you see in  
darkness ?*

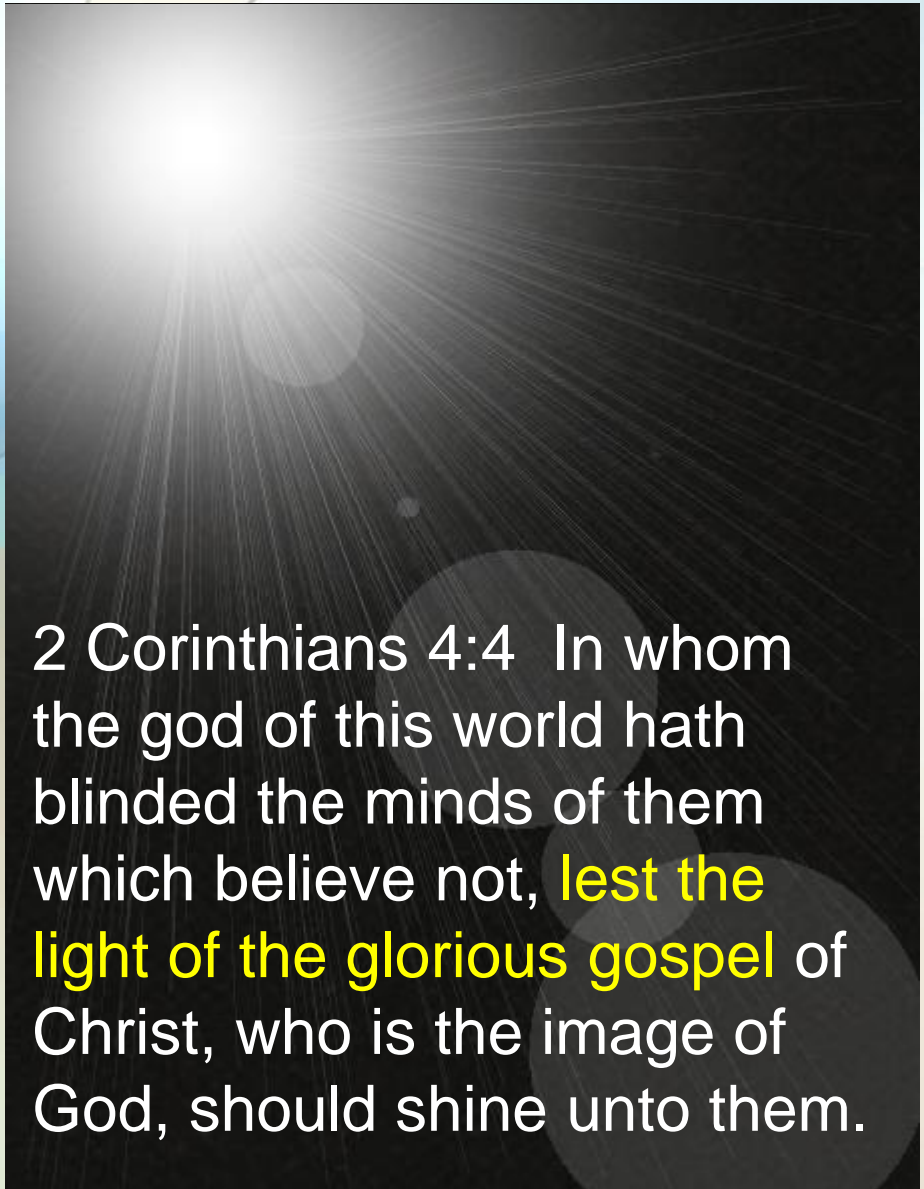
1 John 1:5 ¶ This then is the message which we have heard of him, and declare unto you, that **God is light, and in him is no darkness at all.**

*Isaiah 9:2 The people that walked in darkness **have seen a great light**: they that dwell in the land of the shadow of death, upon them hath the light shined.*

*Isaiah 42:7 To open the blind eyes, to bring out the prisoners from the prison, **and them that sit in darkness** out of the prison house.*



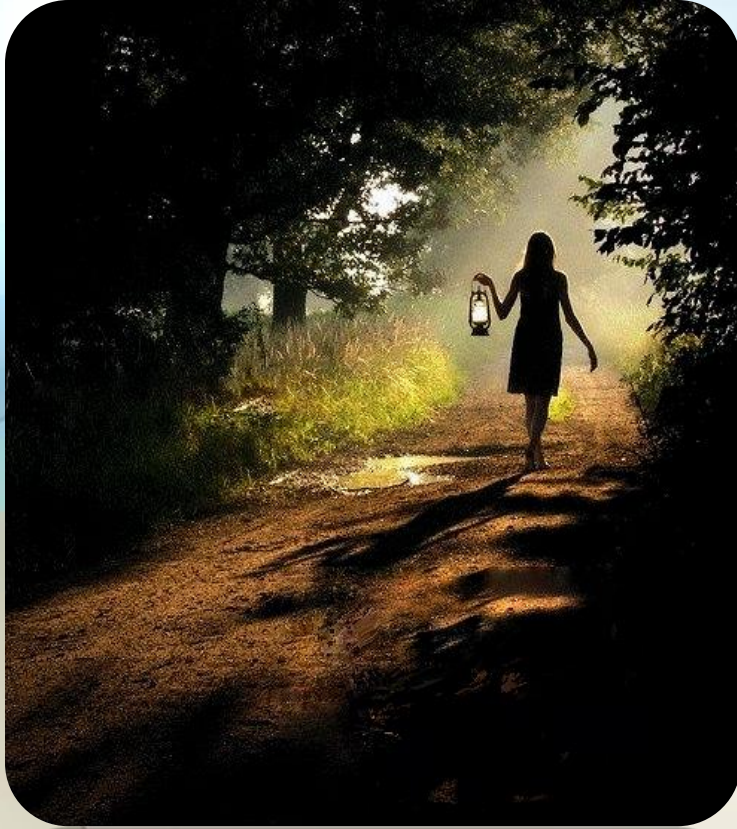
# What can “Darkness” Create ?



2 Corinthians 4:4 In whom the god of this world hath blinded the minds of them which believe not, lest the light of the glorious gospel of Christ, who is the image of God, should shine unto them.

- Darkness cannot create
- Something (Light) Has to be Added!
- 1 Peter 2:9 But ye are a chosen generation, a royal priesthood, an holy nation, a peculiar people; that ye should shew forth the praises of him who hath called you out of darkness into his marvellous light:

# Called out of Darkness!



- 1<sup>st</sup> By The Written Word
- Psalms 119:105 . **Thy word is a lamp** unto my feet, and **a light unto my path.**
- 2<sup>nd</sup> By the Living Word
- John 8:12 ¶Then spake Jesus again unto them, saying, **I am the light of the world:** he that followeth me shall not walk in darkness, but shall have **the light of life.**

*2 Corinthians 4:6 For God, who commanded the light to shine out of darkness, **hath shined in our hearts, to give the light** of the knowledge of the glory of God in the face of Jesus Christ.*

# Before the Beginning...

I AM...!

I AM.... Light

I AM... All...



# In The Beginning.....

Genesis 1:2 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.



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

# Creation was God Limiting Himself!

## Limiting His Sovereignty!



- Genesis 1:27 So God created man in his own image, in the image of God created he him; male and female created he them.
- 28 And God blessed them, and God said unto them, Be fruitful, and multiply, and replenish the earth, and subdue it: **and have dominion** over the fish of the sea, and over the fowl of the air, and over every living thing that moveth upon the earth.

# The Nature of Flesh



- Mark 13:31 Heaven and earth shall pass away: but my words shall not pass away.
- 32 But of that day and that hour knoweth no man, no, not the angels which are in heaven, **neither the Son**, but the Father.

Luke 2:40 And **the child grew**, and waxed strong in spirit, filled with wisdom: and the grace of God was upon him.



# From Darkness...To Marvelous Light

For creation from  
Darkness, Something has  
to be added.....



- John 17:5 And now, O Father, glorify thou me with thine own self with the **glory which I had with thee before the world was.**

John 17:22 And the glory which thou gavest me **I have given them; that they may be one,** even as we are on

# Return to the Image! : One as we are One!



John 17:22 And the glory which thou gavest me **I have given them**; that they may be one, even as we are one:

- 2 Corinthians 3:18 But we all, with open face beholding as in a glass the glory of the Lord, **are changed into the same image from glory to glory**, even as by the Spirit of the Lord.
- 2 Corinthians 4:6 For God, who commanded the light to shine out of darkness, hath shined in our hearts, **to give the light of the knowledge of the glory of God in the face of Jesus Christ.**