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Names & Titles of Jesus
Lesson 14 - The Brightness of God Himself**return pages 5 & 6**

Jesus Christ as the Brightness... the Brightness of God Himself. The Bible says in Genesis 1:1... *In the beginning God created the heaven and the earth.* The earth that God created was void without form and darkness was upon the face of the deep. (Genesis 1:2)

Before God created the sun, the moon and the stars (Genesis 1:16) God constructed this universe so His glory would not be visible to the human race, a creation where sin had entered. (1 Corinthians 13:12)

When the serpent (Revelation 12:9) tempted the Adam and Eve they followed the devil into sin. Darkness increased for four thousand years now the only way men will ever behold the glory of God is through Jesus Christ. God wrapped Himself in thick clouds and sat upon His glorious throne behind darkness...(Job 22:14) Men effortlessly send their spaceships with telescopes into the heavens to take pictures, yet everywhere they look is darkness, stars, planets things God has already told us in His word. Men with no faith then assume there must not be a god out here...for we are unable to see the bright shining of His glory.

Then one day...in the most remarkable of disguises the glory of God appeared on this earth in a tiny little human body. That body was laid in a manger wrapped in swaddling clothes they called His name Jesus... and for 30 years the glory of God was still hidden veiled, this time not behind a frozen expanse from a great flood – this time behind a body of human flesh.

The Bible says in Hebrews 1:1-4 *God, who at sundry times and in divers manners spake in time past unto the fathers by the prophets, 2 Hath in these last days spoken unto us by his Son, whom he hath appointed heir of all things, by whom also he made the worlds; 3 Who being the brightness of his glory, and the express image of his person, and upholding all things by the word of his power, when he had by himself purged our sins, sat down on the right hand of the Majesty on high; 4 Being made so much better than the angels, as he hath by inheritance obtained a more excellent name than they.*

Previously God showed miracles, wonders, power, and might. One day He decided to show His glory. He wrapped Himself up in a body of human flesh and at thirty years of age, He began to open His mouth and speak. The Bible says in Hebrews chapter 1, Jesus spoke the brightness of the glory of God manifested on earth; after speaking the words of God with human lips for 3 ½ years, Jesus Christ laid down His life in an act of love unmatched since

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the dawn of time He died for sinners as, Jesus Christ died upon the cross the brightness of the glory of God was manifest upon this earth. To this day fallen men say if God would just show His glory I would believe. If they were to open the Bible they would see the brightness of His glory. Unfortunately most refuse to see. Those scriptures are a verifiable historical record of Jesus dying on the cross to pay for their sins. All could see, hear, and comprehend, yet refuse, by that choice sentence themselves to hell and a lake of fire for eternity.

God loved us so much that He came to earth to die on a cross for your sin and mine, so we could spend eternity with Him. That is the greatest miracle of all. Romans 5:8.

What did God gain by dying on that cross? God who created the universe, who hold planets in mid-air, who created the Sun, the Moon, the stars our Earth and its ecological balance; What did He gain by suffering and dying for a group of people who spend most of their time doing anything other than thanking Him. What did He gain by dying on that cross? He gained us, not because we are so special, but because He is so special, that is a miracle.

2 Corinthians 4:3-6. *But if our gospel be hid, it is hid to them that are lost: 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. 5 For we preach not ourselves, but Christ Jesus the Lord; and ourselves your servants for Jesus' sake. 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 (Where is that glory?) ...in the face of Jesus Christ.* When the Bible says all have sinned and come short of the glory of God. What is the glory of God as seen in Jesus Christ? It is absolute sinless, holiness. There is no way we can measure up to that. Look in the face of Jesus Christ, see the glory of God. Here is a man without sin. People who trust themselves in lieu of God want a big bang, an explosion, a miracle, a monkey turning into a man, a fish walking out of the ocean, anything they consider tangible. (Romans 1:23) Well here He is, Jesus Christ The glory of God in all His brightness. The brightness of His glory is Jesus Christ. Revelation 1:16, 17A. *And he had in his right hand seven stars: and out of his mouth went a sharp twoedged sword: and his countenance was as the sun shineth in his strength. 17 And when I saw him, I fell at his feet as dead.* Here John is beholding Jesus with the veil removed. John said when I looked in His direction the light was brighter than the sun.

Revelation 21:23. *And the city (this is New Jerusalem) 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.* If Jesus were to take off the veil of His flesh, you would not need any lights in the heavens. He would replace the sun. Yet that brightness is not His glory. His glory is His sinless nature.

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Acts 9:1-9... *And Saul, yet breathing out threatenings and slaughter against the disciples of the Lord, went unto the high priest, 2 And desired of him letters to Damascus to the synagogues, that if he found any of this way, whether they were men or women, he might bring them bound unto Jerusalem. 3 And as he journeyed, he came near Damascus: and suddenly there shined round about him a light from heaven: Verse 5. And he said, Who art thou, Lord? And the Lord said, I am Jesus... Verse 8. And Saul arose from the earth; and when his eyes were opened, he saw no man.... Verse 9. And he was three days without sight... Jesus pulled back the veil of His flesh and Saul of Tarsus looked up and saw the glory of God - not in His words or in His love; but His sinless nature unveiled blinded Saul. Acts 26:12-13 *Whereupon as I went to Damascus with authority and commission from the chief priests, 13 At midday..*(Where is the sun at midday? It is in the top of the sky shining as brightly as it can shine.) *At midday, O king, I saw in the way a light from heaven,* (Saul was seeing the S-U-N and above that he was seeing the S-O-N) *shining round about me and them which journeyed with me.* Saul said at midday this light brighter than the sun shined and blinded me.*

The glory of God is shining in the third heaven but the firmament veils that light. Every man and woman ever saved Christ has come to live within them and Second Corinthians says the light to the glory of God and the face of Jesus Christ lives inside us. 2 Corinthians 4:5 It is veiled – so you cannot see it.

- Read Genesis... fifteen hundred years of human history and seemingly find about twenty-five or maybe thirty people that ever put faith in God.
- Read Exodus... Leviticus... Numbers... Deuteronomy... hundreds of years of human history. The scriptures only reveal Moses, Caleb, and Joshua... that believed in God.
- Of all of the kings, three or four are outstanding because they believed in God. The rest are all reprobates.

God decides a new approach shut down the miracles, stop all the wonders. I will send men out into the world to tell people about my great love. From that day to this, millions and millions of people have put their faith and trust in God. Miracles do not persuade people to believe in God, only the love of God. What they see with their eyes does not change them. It is what they hear in their ears and believe in their heart that makes them new creatures.

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Exodus chapter 33. Moses is standing on the mountain. Verse 18... *And he said, I beseech thee, shew me thy glory. 19 And he said, I will make all my goodness pass before thee, and I will proclaim the name of the LORD before thee; and will be gracious to whom I will be gracious, and will shew mercy on whom I will shew mercy.* Moses said, "God show me your glory." God said, "Alright, watch this... I am good...I am gracious... I am merciful... That is my glory." When Jesus Christ showed up on this earth He was good, He was gracious, He was merciful. When we look at His goodness, His grace and look at His mercy we behold the brightness of His glory. Hallelujah!!!

Notes

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Name _____

Note: must include scripture with all your answers, including the T/F.

1. Who is the writer speaking of in Malachi 4:2?
2. What tangible expressions does the world substitute for Jesus Christ?
3. What statement in the New Testament is authoritative proof that signs, wonders and miracles will never persuade people to trust in Jesus Christ?
4. What would of happened if Jesus Christ pulled back his flesh while He walked the earth?
5. What does persuade people to put their faith and trust in Jesus Christ? And where do we find it written?
6. What did Jesus accomplish by suffering and dying on that cross on Calvary?
7. Where in the Bible does it tell us about the foolishness of Darwinism?
8. Explain Colossians 1:17?

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9. What is the glory of God as seen in Jesus Christ?

10. When Abraham asked to see God's glory, what did God show him?

11. How bright is the brightness of God's glory?

12. Explain 1 Corinthians 13:12?

13. Explain why the Holy Spirit placed 1 Corinthians 13:12 in a chapter that speaks primarily about charity?

14. What will the scientist and astronomers see when their telescopes can look beyond our solar system? Why?

True/false

- Jesus Christ is the brightness of his glory, and the express, image of his person.
- On the road to Damascus, Saul experienced the brightness of His glory.
- When Jesus Christ removes the Earth, Sun, moon and stars, the only light remaining will be the brightness of His glory

**Scripture memorization**

Hebrews 1:3; Colossians 1:16-17; 1 John 5:7.

Write out these verses on the back on this page: (must be in KJV)

Any Questions?