

Address

Isaiah 9:2

‘Let there be light!’



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How does God's light shine in this world?

What effect does God's light have on us?

How does God's light change us, and the people we know? and,

What are we to do when God's light changes us and the people we know?



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What effect does God's light have on us?



Isaiah 8

The LORD said to me, “Take a large scroll and write on it with an ordinary pen: Maher-Shalal-Hash-Baz.” 2 So I called in Uriah the priest and Zechariah son of Jeberekiah as reliable witnesses for me. 3 Then I made love to the prophetess, and she conceived and gave birth to a son. And the LORD said to me, “Name him Maher-Shalal-Hash-Baz. 4 For before the boy knows how to say ‘My father’ or ‘My mother,’ **the wealth of Damascus and the plunder of Samaria will be carried off by the king of Assyria.**”



**5 The LORD spoke to me again:
6 “Because this people has rejected
The gently flowing waters of Shiloah
And rejoices over Rezin
And the son of Remaliah,
7 therefore the Lord is about to bring against
them
The mighty floodwaters of the Euphrates—
The king of Assyria with all his pomp.
It will overflow all its channels,
Run over all its banks
8 and sweep on into Judah, swirling over it,
Passing through it and reaching up to the neck.**



**Its outspread wings will cover the breadth of
your land, Immanuel!”**

**9 Raise the war cry, you nations, and be
shattered!**

Listen, all you distant lands.

Prepare for battle, and be shattered!

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**10 Devise your strategy, but it will be thwarted;
Propose your plan, but it will not stand,
For God is with us.**



11 This is what the LORD says to me with his strong hand upon me, warning me not to follow the way of this people:

12 “Do not call conspiracy

Everything this people calls a conspiracy;

Do not fear what they fear,

And do not dread it.

13 The LORD Almighty is the one you are to regard as holy,

He is the one you are to fear,

He is the one you are to dread.



**14 He will be a holy place;
For both Israel and Judah he will be
A stone that causes people to stumble
And a rock that makes them fall.
And for the people of Jerusalem he will be
A trap and a snare.
15 Many of them will stumble;
They will fall and be broken,
They will be snared and captured.”**



**16 Bind up this testimony of warning
And seal up God's instruction among my
disciples.**

**17 I will wait for the LORD,
Who is hiding his face from the descendants of
Jacob.**

I will put my trust in him.

**18 Here am I, and the children the LORD has
given me. We are signs and symbols in Israel
from the LORD Almighty, who dwells on
Mount Zion.**



19 When someone tells you to consult mediums and spiritists, who whisper and mutter, should not a people inquire of their God? Why consult the dead on behalf of the living? 20 Consult God's instruction and the testimony of warning. If anyone does not speak according to this word, they have no light of dawn.



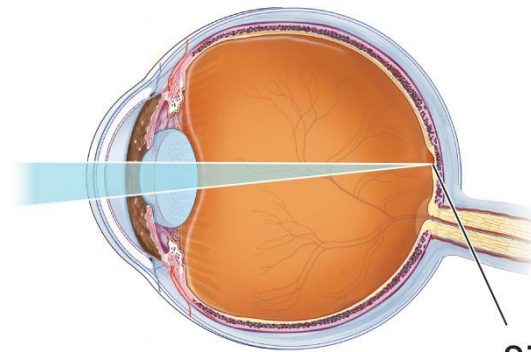
21 Distressed and hungry, they will roam through the land; when they are famished, they will become enraged and, looking upward, will curse their king and their God. 22 Then they will look toward the earth and see only distress and darkness and fearful gloom, and they will be thrust into utter darkness.





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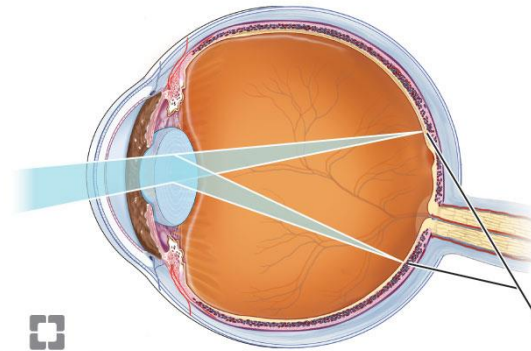


Clear vision

Vision

Single focal point

Astigmatism



Blurred vision

Vision

Multiple focal points





**THE DEVIL DOESN'T
COME DRESSED
IN A RED CAPE AND
POINTY HORNS.
HE COMES AS EVERYTHING
YOU'VE EVER WISHED FOR.
PRAY FOR WISDOM
AND DISCERNMENT.**

How does God's light change us, and the
people we know?



What are we to do when God's light
changes us and the people we know?





Psalm 119:105

“Thy word is a lamp unto my feet, and light unto my path.”





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**In the same way, let your light shine
before men, that they may see your good
deeds and praise your Father in heaven.**

- Matthew 5:16 -