### (Ps 119:105) Light and Lamp (8/1/18pm)

<u>Illus</u>: Light is comforting, Alone, Scared, Unsure, Working on a new project.

Being lost in the day is different than lost at night!

Walking through the Church at night!

I think the demons have a service after we leave.

(Psa 119:97-98) **NOTE:** Genuine wisdom comes from God and the study of His Word.

(Psa 119:99-100) **NOTE:** An important educational principle. Only one who obeys the Word of the Lord can fully understand it.

(Psa 119:101-102) **NOTE:** There is Safety in Divine Truth.

(Psa 119:103-104) **NOTE:** Divine truth is not something to be contemplated from a distance.

It must be grappled with in the arena of everyday experience.

True wisdom depends upon obedience to God's precepts. (Prov 6:20-23) *WAY OF LIFE* 

(1 Pet 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:

**Lamp Unto My Feet:** (Ps 119:105) *Thy word is a lamp unto my feet, and a light unto my path.* 

We need to let the Bible cast light on Us!

What is my Spiritual Condition? Saved or Lost?
I can see where I am at Right now.

(James 1:21-25) Like a Mirror

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Which Path am I On? (Matt 7:13-14)

I Can see where I am heading.

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### The Lost are said to be Blind and in Darkness:

(Ps 18:28) For thou wilt light my candle: the LORD my God will enlighten my darkness.

(2 Cor 4:3-4) The Gospel is hid from them.

(Jn 12:40) He hath blinded their eyes, and hardened their heart; that they should not see with their eyes, nor understand with their heart, and be converted, and I should heal them.

(1 Cor 2:14) "Natural Man"

### The Saved are referred to as walking in the Light:

(1Jn 1:7) But if we walk in the light, as he is in the light, we have fellowship one with another, and the

blood of Jesus Christ his Son cleanseth us from all sin.

### We need to let the Bible cast light on Us!

**Book:** He left us His Word!

Essential for Salvation: 1 Pet 1:23 Essential for Faith: Rom 10:17

Essential in keeping us from sin: Ps 199:9,11; Jn15:3

Essential in directing our lives: Ps 119:105

Essential in Experiencing God:

Reveals Himself: Matt 11:27; Jn 14:9 Reveals His Will: 2 Pet 3:9; Rom 8:29

Reveals His Plan: Matt 28:19-20

Shows where we are, and where to go!

We think we know people-

<u>Illus</u>: Married couples finish each others sentences, and start to look alike!

You might ask someone, What's your Mom like, What's your Dad like, etc.

# We need to let the Bible cast light on God for us to see Him Clearly!

#### What is our God like?

How well do we know God? What he likes, what makes him laugh, what warms his heart?

So, where are you? In Light of the Scripture?

(2 Cor 13:3-5) Since ye seek a proof of Christ speaking in me, which to you-ward is not weak, but is mighty in you. For though he was crucified through weakness, yet he liveth by the power of God. For we also are weak in him, but we shall live with him by the power of God toward you. Examine yourselves, whether ye be in the faith; prove your own selves. Know ye not your own selves, how that Jesus Christ is in you, except ye be reprobates?

# The Word of God gives me enough light to take the next step.

So where are you? In the light of Scripture?

### **Heaven bound-Trusting Christ Alone-**

Remembering when, where, and how it happened?

#### **Unsure-Christ+Works-**

Trusting in doing something or a Ritual?

## **Be Sure:** In the Light of Scripture

(1 Jn 5:13 Jn 3:36)

### Where am I at Right Now in my:

Am I Where Should I be?

### **Daily Devotions-Take the next Step!**

A Daily Refresh.

<u>Illus</u>: Spiritual Location Services.

Food – A Nourishing Book – (Job 23:12 1 Pet 2:2)

Where am I at Right Now in my: Am I Where Should I be?

**Holiness-Take the next Step!** 

**It's our Plumb line, our absolute standard** (Amos 7:7-8)

Is 8:20 Everything is to be compared to it!

<u>Illus</u>: Can you Hear ME Now? Our time in the word reveals to us our spiritual condition.

It reveals our current state of Holiness.

A Hammer A Destuctive Book. (Jer 23:29)
Water – A Cleansing Book (Jn 15:3)
A Sword! – A Convicting Book! (Heb 4:12)
QUICK = Alive

- Applicable to every age Child to adult
- Applicable for every Era never goes out of Touch Mal 3:6

Where am I at Right Now in my: Am I Where Should I be? Service-Take the Next Step!

<u>Light unto My Path</u>: Where am I going? In Light of Scripture?\_ What is the Next Step for you? <u>Illus</u>: Walking through the house w/lights off. Furniture has been moved, Stepping on Lego. Try keeping your Christianity!

God has a plan for your Life! (Jer 29:11) For I know the thoughts that I think toward you, saith the LORD, thoughts of peace, and not of evil, to give you an expected end. (John 10:10)

**Do you Trust Him?** (Prov 3:5-6) *Trust in the LORD* with all thine heart; and lean not unto thine own understanding. In all thy ways acknowledge him, and he shall direct thy paths.

Belief--God directs the paths of those who wholeheartedly trust in Him.

Do you believe He wants to Bless You? **But what if She is Ugly!** 

(Psa 16:11) Thou wilt show me the path of life: in thy presence is fulness of joy; at thy right hand there are pleasures for evermore.

God wants your Life to Shine so others may find Him! (Mat 5:16) Let your light so shine before men, that they may see your good works, and glorify your Father which is in heaven.

(Prov 4:18) But the path of the just is as the shining light, that shineth more and more unto the perfect day.

A relationship with God promises a clear sense of Where I am, The way to go in life, and the Next step for me.

Are we letting God Shine through us?