

Jesus is The Light of Life

2.) *What Jesus says about the Father*

vv. 13-18

a.) *The Father knows His own children*

v.13-14

13 The Pharisees therefore said to Him, "You bear witness of Yourself; Your witness is not true." 14 Jesus answered and said to them, "**Even if I bear witness of Myself, My witness is true, for I know where I came from and where I am going; but you do not know where I come from and where I am going.**"

Light, by it's own nature and physical properties,
bears witness of itself.

It is difficult to create an environment where there is no light.
The Carlsbad caverns & Oregon caves are two places where photometers can detect the
lowest levels of ambient light.

It's a darkness that can be felt – that kills !!!

“but you do not know where I come from and where I am going.”

This is a Christian – a child of God

Matthew 5:14-16

14 You are the light of the world. A city that is set on a hill cannot be hidden. 15 Nor do they light a lamp and put it under a basket, but on a lampstand, and it gives light to all who are in the house. 16 Let your light so shine before men, that they may see your good works and glorify your Father in heaven.

2 Timothy 2:18-19

19 Nevertheless the solid foundation of God stands, having this seal: "The Lord knows those who are His," and, "Let everyone who names the name of Christ depart from iniquity."

The Death of Our Old Selves

Remember Those Dramatic Moments in Life

Remember Those Wicks that Burned
So brightly

The Priests and their underwear

were gathered and dedicated to the service of God.

If you were a priest of the LORD then, your underwear would have been collected and bound together with your annual collection of underwear so that you would have a large, soiled, mess on your hands.

But during the week of tabernacles your underwear would be placed into one of the huge, 65 gallon bowls and used as a wick. That wick was lit and a flame rose to nearly 35 ft. It would ascend toward God.

their underwear was made into a wick, the wick was baptized into the oil, and that wick / underwear was transformed into the glory of God - seen by all

that which was personal, private,
is that which gave God great glory and honor

that which was costly, near to the heart
was to be consumed openly

What Jesus says about the Father

b.) The Father knows His own Son

v.15-17

You judge according to the flesh; I judge no one. 16 And yet if I do judge, My judgment is true; for I am not alone, but I am with the Father who sent Me. 17 It is also written in your law that the testimony of two men is true.

Matthew 3:16-17

16 When He had been baptized, Jesus came up immediately from the water; and behold, the heavens were opened to Him, and He saw the Spirit of God descending like a dove and alighting upon Him. 17 And suddenly a voice came from heaven, saying,

"This is My beloved Son, in whom I am well pleased."

1 John 2:21-23

22 Who is a liar but he who denies that Jesus is the Christ? He is antichrist who denies the Father and the Son. 23 Whoever denies the Son does not have the Father either; he who acknowledges the Son has the Father also.

Approving !



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3.) *What Jesus says about the Unbeliever* vv. 19-20

a.) *The Unbeliever is hostile toward God* v.19a

Then they said to Him, "Where is Your Father?"

Where is Your Father

THEY ATTACK JESUS' ORIGIN

John 8:41

Then they said to Him, "We were not born of **fornication**; we have **one** Father--God."

“Where” ((they cannot see spiritual things))

This is a Direct Attack Upon His Incarnation and His
Supernatural Conception

For 30 years they had heard that He could be the One sent from God
They Knew The Bible

Isaiah 9:6

For unto us a Child is born, Unto us a Son is given; And the government will be upon His shoulder. And His name will be called Wonderful, Counselor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace.

Proverbs 30:4

Who has ascended into heaven, or descended? Who has gathered the wind in His fists? Who has bound the waters in a garment? Who has established all the ends of the earth? What is His name, and what is His Son's name, If you know?

John 8:42-44

"If God were your Father, you would love Me, for I proceeded forth and came from God; nor have I come of Myself, but He sent Me. 43 Why do you not understand My speech? Because you are not able to listen to My word. 44 You are of your father the devil, and the desires of your father you want to do. 44 **He was a murderer from the beginning,**

The Unbeliever is hostile toward God

John 3:18-19

And this is the condemnation, that the light has come into the world, and men loved darkness rather than light, because their deeds were evil.

Ephesians 2:16

That He (Jesus) might reconcile both God and us in one body through the cross, thereby putting to death **the enmity**

THE ENMITY

THE WAR

Our flesh is at war with God

b.) The Unbeliever will not follow God

Jesus answered, "**You know neither Me nor My Father.
If you had known Me, you would have known My Father also.**"

**He is challenging them to identify and
recognize**

IN THE WILDERNESS

THEY HAD NO IDEA WHERE THEY WERE GOING. THEY HAD NEVER BEEN THERE BEFORE. THERE WAS NO MAP. THERE WAS NO TRAIL. THERE WAS NO ROAD SIGN.

GOD LED THE WAY

“However desirable your camp is, you must leave it. No matter how difficult the road looks, you must take it.”

You Can't Know Me
Because you have first needed to know my Father.

John 5:22-23

For the Father judges no one, but has committed all judgment to the Son, that all should honor the Son just as they honor the Father. He who does not honor the Son does not honor the Father who sent Him.

Luke 19:12-15

12 Therefore He said: "A certain nobleman went into a far country to receive for himself a kingdom and to return. 13 So he called ten of his servants, delivered to them ten minas, and said to them, 'Do business till I come.' 14 But his citizens hated him, and sent a delegation after him, saying, 'We will not have this man to reign over us.'

Psalms 32:9

Do not be like the horse or like the mule, Which have no understanding, Which must be harnessed with bit and bridle, Else they will not come near you.

What Jesus says about the Unbeliever

c.) The Unbeliever is resisting God

v.20

20 These words Jesus spoke **in the treasury**, as He taught in the temple; **and no one laid hands on Him, for His hour had not yet come.**

in the treasury
(the court of the women)

and no one laid hands on Him, for His hour had not yet come.

But He Wanted to Lay His Hands on Them !!!