

Discussion Questions:

1. What were the two assumptions the disciples made, regarding the man's blindness and what did they misunderstand?
2. What does Jesus mean when He says, "I am the light of the world"?
3. What does Jesus mean by "I must work the works of He who sent Me while it is day"? And what is He emphasizing?
4. What is Jesus referring to when He said "the night is coming when no one can work? And why is this important?"
5. What's the difference between God's chastening and suffering for God's glory? How does God get the glory in either case?

Bible References

Luke 19:10 for the Son of Man has come to seek and to save that which was lost."

Hebrews 2:16-18 For indeed He does not give aid to angels, but He does give aid to the seed of Abraham. [17] Therefore, in all things He had to be made like His brethren, that He might be a merciful and faithful High Priest in things pertaining to God, to make propitiation (reconciliation) for the sins of the people. [18] For in that He Himself has suffered, being tempted, He is able to aid those who are tempted.

James 1:2-4 My brethren, count it all joy when you fall into various trials, [3] knowing that the testing of your faith produces patience. [4] But let patience have its perfect work, that you may be perfect and complete, lacking nothing.

2 Corinthians 4:4 whose minds the god of this age has blinded, who do not believe, lest the light of the gospel of the glory of Christ, who is the image of God, should shine on them.

Colossians 2:13 And you, being dead in your trespasses and the uncircumcision of your flesh, He has made alive together with Him, having forgiven you all trespasses,

Exodus 20:5 you shall not bow down to them nor serve them. For I, the LORD your God, am a jealous God, visiting the iniquity of the fathers upon the children to the third and fourth generations of those who hate Me,

Ezekiel 18:20 The soul who sins shall die. The son shall **not** bear the guilt of the father, nor the father bear the guilt of the son. The righteousness of the righteous shall be upon himself, and the wickedness of the wicked shall be upon himself.

Ezekiel 18:1-3 The word of the LORD came to me again, saying, [2] "What do you mean when you use this proverb concerning the land of Israel, saying: 'The fathers have eaten sour grapes, And the children's teeth are set on edge'? [3] "As I live," says the Lord GOD, "you shall no longer use this proverb in.

Romans 5:12 Therefore, just as through one man sin entered the world, and death through sin, and thus death spread to all men, because all sinned-

Romans 3:23 "for all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God,"

Job 1:8-12 Then the LORD said to Satan, "Have you considered My servant Job, that there is none like him on the earth, a blameless and upright man, one who fears God and shuns evil?" [9] So Satan answered the LORD and said, "Does Job fear God for nothing? [10] Have You not made a hedge around him, around his household, and around all that he has on every side? You have blessed the work of his hands, and his possessions have increased in the land. [11] But now, stretch out Your hand and touch all that he has, and he will surely curse You to Your face!" [12] And the LORD said to Satan, "Behold, all that he has is in your power; only do not lay a hand on his person." So Satan went out from the presence of the LORD.

Romans 8:28 And we know that all things work together for good to those who love God, to those who are the called according to His purpose.

John 5:36 But I have a greater witness than John's; for the works which the Father has given Me to finish-the very works that I do-bear witness of Me, that the Father has sent Me.

John 5:19-20 Then Jesus answered and said to them, "Most assuredly, I say to you, the Son can do nothing of Himself, but what He sees the Father do; for whatever He does, the Son also does in like manner. [20] For the Father loves the Son, and shows Him all things that He Himself does; and He will show Him greater works than these, that you may marvel.

James 4:14 whereas you do not know what will happen tomorrow. For what is your life? It is even a vapor that appears for a little time and then vanishes away.

Luke 9:59-62 [59] Then He said to another, "Follow Me." But he said, "Lord, let me first go and bury my father." [60] Jesus said to him, "Let the dead bury their own dead, but you go and preach the kingdom of God." [61] And another also said, "Lord, I will follow You, but let me first go and bid them farewell who are at my house." [62] But Jesus said to him, "No one, having put his hand to the plow, and looking back, is fit for the kingdom of God."

John 8:12 Then Jesus spoke to them again, saying, "I am the light of the world. He who follows Me shall not walk in darkness, but have the light of life."

John 1:4-5 In Him was life, and the life was the light of men. [5] And the light shines in the darkness, and the darkness did not comprehend it.

John 9:38 Then he said, "Lord, I believe!" And he worshiped Him.

John 9:39-40 And Jesus said, "For judgment I have come into this world, that those who do not see may see, and that those who see may be made blind." [40] Then some of the Pharisees who were with Him heard these words, and said to Him, "Are we blind also?"

John 3:19-21 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. [20] For everyone practicing evil hates the light and does not come to the light, lest his deeds should be exposed. [21] But he who does the truth comes to the light, that his deeds may be clearly seen, that they have been done in God."

Matthew 5:14-16 "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.)

John 6:60 Therefore many of His disciples, when they heard this, said, "This is a hard saying; who can understand it?" Jesus calls true disciples to do hard things.

John 6:66 From that time many of His disciples went back and walked with Him no more.

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Luke 14:26 "If anyone comes to Me and does not hate his father and mother, wife and children, brothers and sisters, yes, and his own life also, he cannot be My disciple.

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John 1:6-9 There was a man sent from God, whose name was John. [7] This man came for a witness, to bear witness of the Light, that all through him might believe. [8] He was not that Light, but was sent to bear witness of that Light. [9] That was the true Light which gives light to every man coming into the world.

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