

Hello Darkness

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I. Introduction.

A. Text: John 1:5-13.

B. John is setting forth a summary of whom Jesus really is.

C. The world cannot forget Jesus because He is the very expression of God from whom life comes—something in us cries out for the One who made us.

II. John tells us who Jesus is effectively—what He came to do.

A. In the prologue is the hint of struggle between belief and unbelief in this world.

1. We struggle greatly to find the solutions to the problems we face from generation to generation.

2. We live in darkness and ignorance in regards to our sin.

3. However, the darkness could not overcome the light of Jesus Christ—moreover; it could not possess it or apprehend it.

4. A witness to the light is what was needed—John the Baptist who was to come and prepare the way for Jesus. John brought truth to our level.

a. Admit your need that you cannot solve your own problem.

b. Believe in the One who gives life—John identified the light.

B. Jesus was incarnated as the true light of creation.

1. There is no one who has not heard anything about God. (Romans 10, Psalm 16)

2. Man did not recognize Jesus as creator or Messiah when He came, and His own people did not receive Him.

3. After the rejection, Jesus made provision for the new birth.

a. You must come to God individually.

b. New birth is not of human ancestry.

c. It is not of the will of God.

d. It is not by ceremony.

e. What happens in your heart makes you Christian.

f. You must yield, receive and surrender to Jesus.

h. God gives to us the power to become children of God—we have a responsibility.

Application questions:

1. How is ignorance toward evil manifest today?

2. How can one not say that they have not heard anything about God? Explain.

3. How have you responded to the light of Jesus Christ? If God is working on your heart, take some time to write to Him below a prayer making things right with Him by receiving His gift of grace.
