

THIS LITTLE LIGHT



OF MINE?

This Little Light of Mine

This little light of mine, I'm gonna let it shine...

... Everywhere I go, I'm gonna let it shine ...

... In my brother's heart, I'm gonna let it shine...

... In my sister's soul, I'm gonna let it shine...

... All around the world, I'm gonna let it ...

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Genesis 1:3-4

And God said, Let there be light: and there was light. And God saw the light, that it was good: and God divided the light from the darkness

Psalm 27:1

The Lord is my light and my salvation; whom shall I fear? the Lord is the strength of my life; of whom shall I be afraid?

Have you ever thought
about what we see?
What others see?

Is “Darkness” just the
absence of light?

John 1:1-5

In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. The same was in the beginning with God. All things were made by him; and without him was not any thing made that was made. In him was life; and the life was the light of men. And the light shineth in darkness; and the darkness comprehended it not.

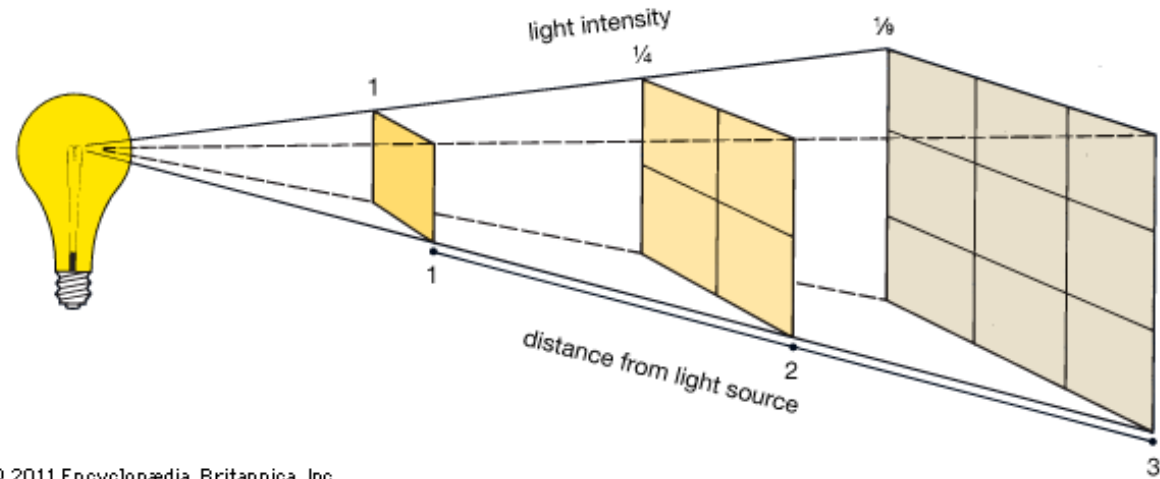
John 8:12

Then spake Jesus again unto them, saying, I am the light of the world: he that followeth me shall not walk in darkness, but shall have the light of life.

Light Has Various Properties

Light Has Intensity

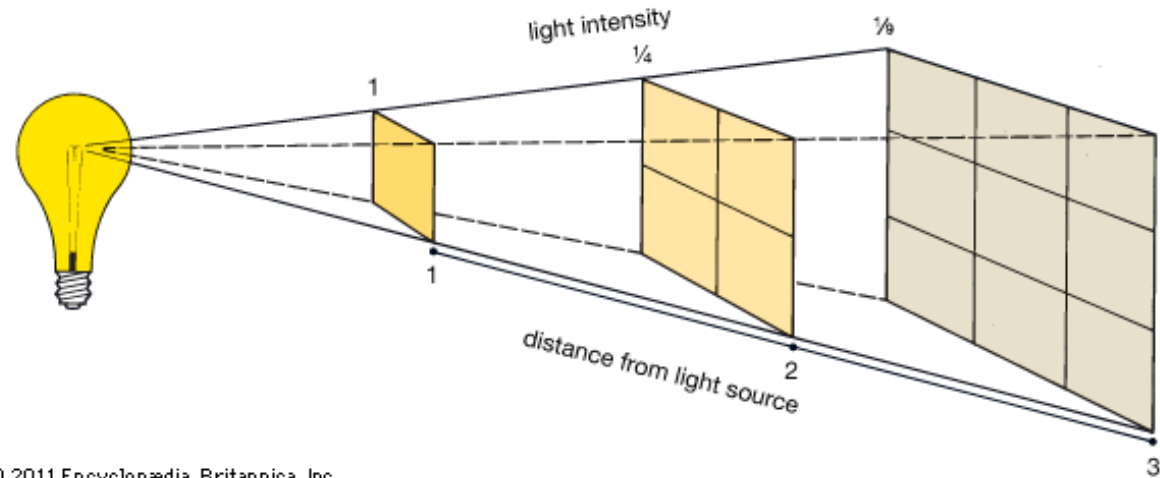
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- Does our light have enough intensity to effect those in this room?
- What about outside this room?
- The more intense our light, the more we can effect

Light Has Intensity

Luke
11:33-36

No man, when he hath lighted a candle, putteth it in a secret place, neither under a bushel, but on a candlestick, that they which come in may see the light. The light of the body is the eye: therefore when thine eye is single, thy whole body also is full of light; but when thine eye is evil, thy body also is full of darkness. Take heed therefore that the light which is in thee be not darkness. If thy whole body therefore be full of light, having no part dark, the whole shall be full of light, as when the bright shining of a candle doth give thee light

Light Has
Intensity

Romans 12:11

Not slothful in business; fervent in
spirit; serving the Lord;

Light Has
Intensity

What can increase
our intensity?

Love of God and Neighbor (Matthew 22:37-40)

Jesus said unto him, Thou shalt love the Lord thy God with all thy heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy mind. This is the first and great commandment. And the second is like unto it, Thou shalt love thy neighbour as thyself. On these two commandments hang all the law and the prophets.

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Repentance (Joel 2:12-13)

Therefore also now, saith the Lord,
turn ye even to me with all your heart,
and with fasting, and with weeping, and
with mourning: And rend your heart, and
not your garments, and turn unto the Lord
your God: -for he is gracious and merciful,
slow to anger, and of great kindness,
and repenteth him of the evil.

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Repentance/Humility (Isaiah 40:28-31)

Hast thou not known? hast thou not heard, that the everlasting God, the Lord, the Creator of the ends of the earth, fainteth not, neither is weary? there is no searching of his understanding. He giveth power to the faint; and to them that have no might he increaseth strength. Even the youths shall faint and be weary, and the young men shall utterly fall: But they that wait upon the Lord shall renew their strength; they shall mount up with wings as eagles; they shall run, and not be weary; and they shall walk, and not faint.

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Psalm
119: 97-106

O how love I thy law! it is my meditation all the day. Thou through thy commandments hast made me wiser than mine enemies: for they are ever with me. I have more understanding than all my teachers: for thy testimonies are my meditation. I understand more than the ancients, because I keep thy precepts. I have refrained my feet from every evil way, that I might keep thy word. I have not departed from thy judgments: for thou hast taught me. How sweet are thy words unto my taste! yea, sweeter than honey to my mouth! Through thy precepts I get understanding: therefore I hate every false way. Thy word is a lamp unto my feet, and a light unto my path. I have sworn, and I will perform it, that I will keep thy righteous judgments.

Ephesians 5:13-14

But all things that are reprov'd are made manifest by the light: for whatsoever doth make manifest is light. Wherefore he saith, Awake thou that sleepest, and arise from the dead, and Christ shall give thee light.

Light Has Intensity

1 John
1:5-9

This then is the message which we have heard of him, and declare unto you, that God is light, and in him is no darkness at all. If we say that we have fellowship with him, and walk in darkness, we lie, and do not the truth: 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. If we say that we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just to forgive us our sins, and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness. If we say that we have not sinned, we make him a liar, and his word is not in us.

Light Has Intensity

What can decrease our intensity?

Sin (1 John 3:4)

Whosoever committeth sin transgresseth also the law: for sin is the transgression of the law.

Sin (Mark 7:20-23)

And he said, **That which cometh out of the man, that defileth the man. For from within, out of the heart of men, proceed evil thoughts, adulteries, fornications, murders, Thefts, covetousness, wickedness, deceit, lasciviousness, an evil eye, blasphemy, pride, foolishness: All these evil things come from within, and defile the man.**

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our intensity?

Wavering (James 1:6)

But let him ask in faith, nothing wavering.
For he that wavereth is like a wave of the
sea driven with the wind and tossed.

Light Has Intensity

Job 18:5-6

Yea, the light of the wicked shall be put out,
and the spark of his fire shall not shine.

The light shall be dark in his tabernacle,
and his candle shall be put out with him.

When we appear to be righteous and then
commit a transgression, our sphere of
influence just got a little smaller in the sight
of others. The intensity of our light just
went down or maybe out for someone.

Light Has Emotion

- Light has emotion?
- How can light have emotion?
- Light doesn't really have emotion, but it's color causes our emotions to react.
- Light has a spectrum of colors.
- Lets do a little bit more science.

Light Has Emotion

- Remember when we first started talking about light that when we looked at Kevin we actually saw the light bouncing off of him?
- “The other answers are correct but there is an interesting aspect to light that most people do not realize.

We all know that light is made up of a spectrum of colors. What we see is some mix of the spectrum of light from the object. When you look at a red apple, we are seeing the red light that is reflected off of the apple. We call what we see its color - to be more precise, we call its color to be that portion of the visible light spectrum that is reflected off the apple.

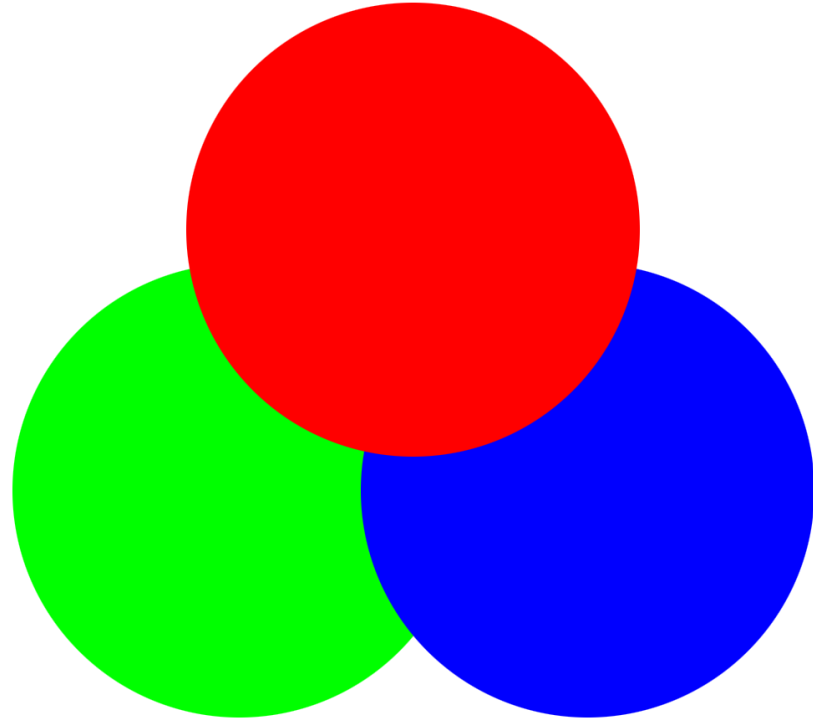
Now think about that for a moment. We are seeing the red light because all the other colors were absorbed as heat by the apple and it reflected (did not absorb) only the red portion of the visible spectrum.” – Tom Watkins (Quora.com article)

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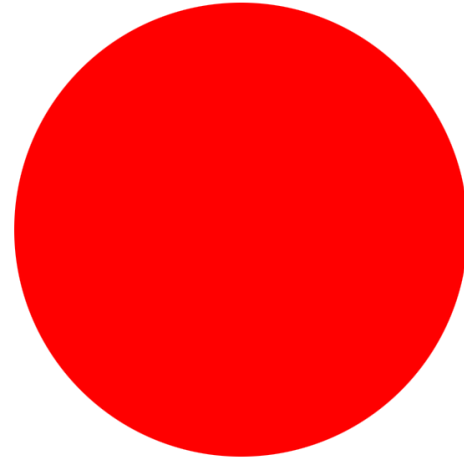
In the retina of the eye, there are three kinds of color receptors, called *cone cells*. The three kinds of cone cells are sensitive to the short, medium, and long wavelengths of visible light, respectively.

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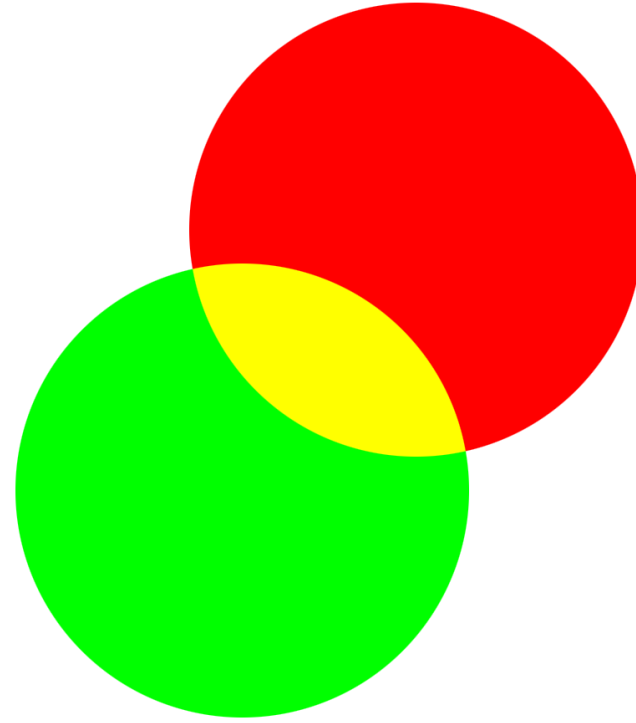
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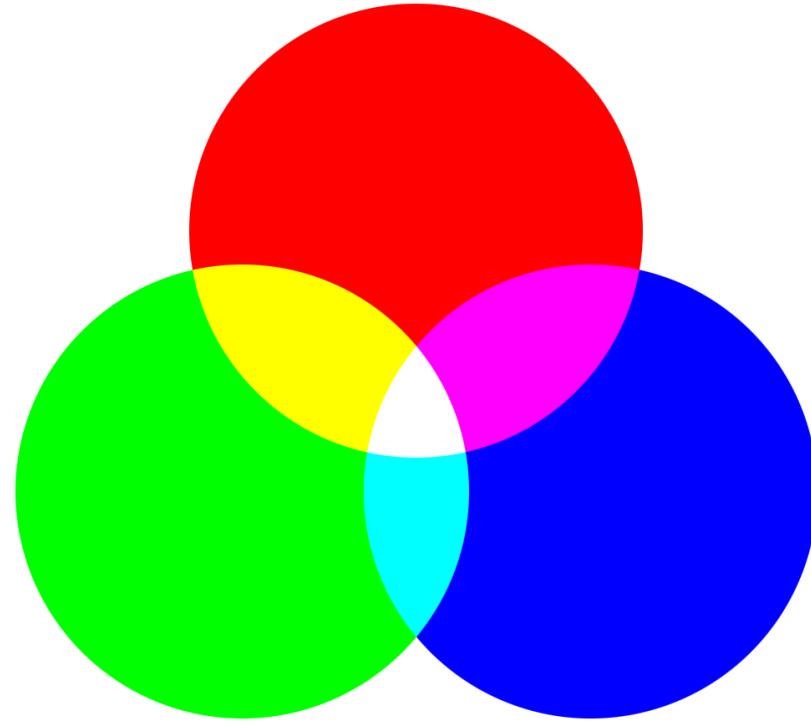
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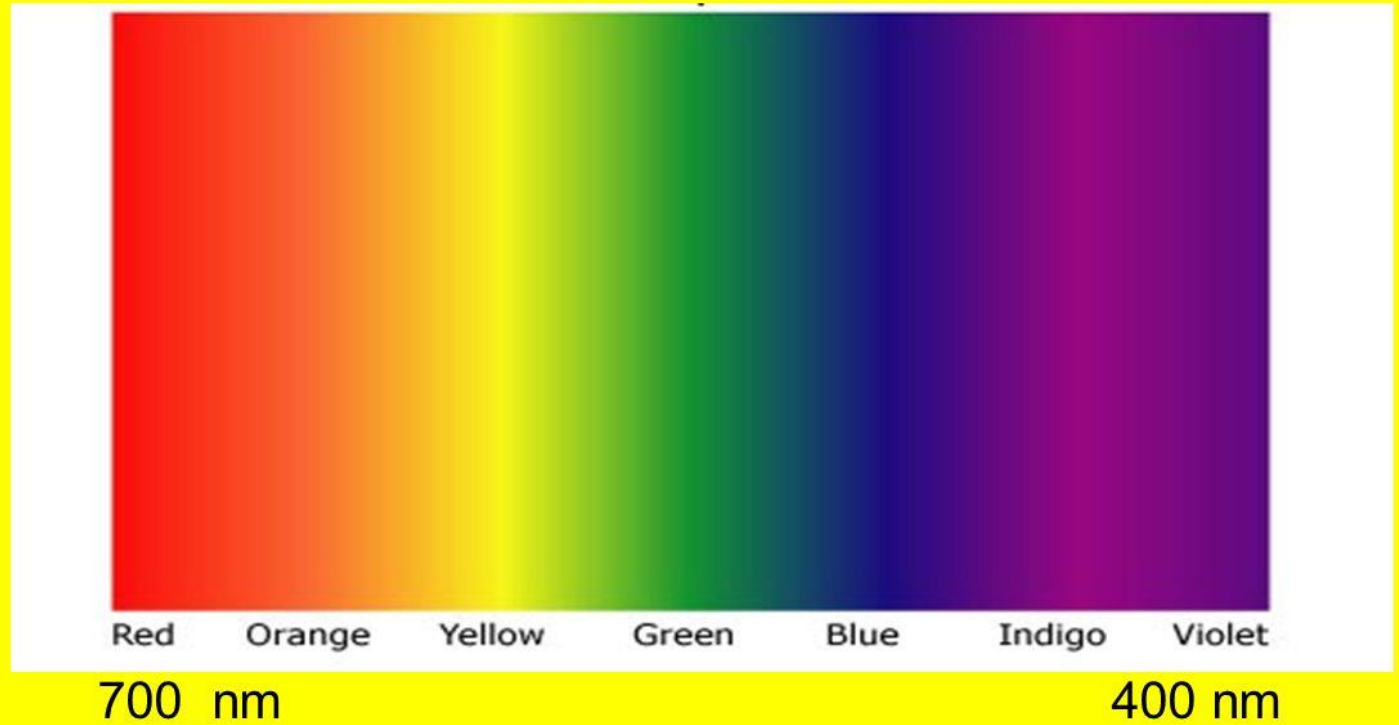


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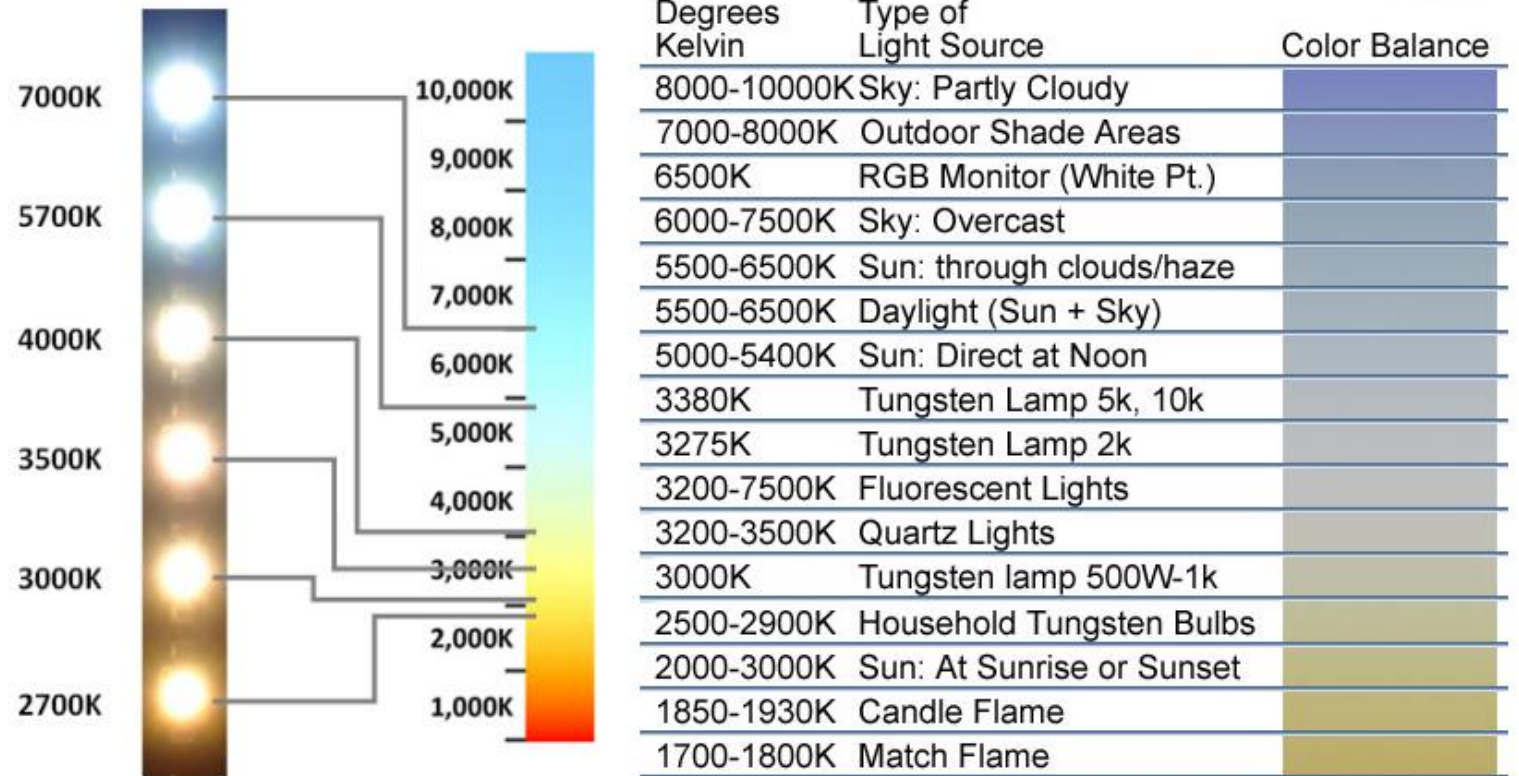


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Visible Light Spectrum



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Galatians 5:19-21

Now the works of the flesh are manifest, which are these; Adultery, fornication, uncleanness, lasciviousness, Idolatry, witchcraft, hatred, variance, emulations, wrath, strife, seditions, heresies, Envyings, murders, drunkenness, revellings, and such like: of the which I tell you before, as I have also told you in time past, that they which do such things shall not inherit the kingdom of God.

Light Has
Emotion

Galatians 5:22-25

But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, longsuffering, gentleness, goodness, faith, Meekness, temperance: against such there is no law. And they that are Christ's have crucified the flesh with the affections and lusts. If we live in the Spirit, let us also walk in the Spirit.

Light Has
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Galatians 5:22-25

Which scripture makes you feel welcome
and which one makes you want to distance
yourself from?

Galatians 5:19-21

OR

Galatians 5:22-25

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“We need to be an emotional ventriloquist. Like a ventriloquist can throw their voice, we've got to be able to throw our concern and presence that people can pick it up even though they can't see us or talk to us.” – Dan Baker

Light Has Emotion

- Are we reflecting God's light through Jesus Christ?
- We may have a bright light, but we have to make sure we are emitting the correct color and emotion

Light has emotion
(quality of light)

1 Peter 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: Which in time past were not a people, but are now the people of God: which had not obtained mercy, but now have obtained mercy.

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Colossians
3:8-11

But now ye also put off all these; anger, wrath, malice, blasphemy, filthy communication out of your mouth. Lie not one to another, seeing that ye have put off the old man with his deeds; And have put on the new man, which is renewed in knowledge after the image of him that created him: Where there is neither Greek nor Jew, circumcision nor uncircumcision, Barbarian, Scythian, bond nor free: but Christ is all, and in all.

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Ephesians
4:23-24

And be renewed in the spirit of your mind;
And that ye put on the new man, which
after God is created in righteousness and
true holiness.

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James 1:17

Every good gift and every perfect gift is from above, and cometh down from the Father of lights, with whom is no variableness, neither shadow of turning

Light Has A Power Source

- Every light has a power source.
- Even the sun has a power source: “It is estimated that there is enough fuel in the interior of the sun to keep that lamp burning for about another five billion years, growing twice as bright as it is now. The source of the sun's fuel is hydrogen and helium gases. Through a special chemical reaction, called nuclear fusion, the hydrogen gas is ‘burned’ releasing an enormous amount of energy in the form of light and heat.”
--extremescience.com

Light Has A
Power Source

Revelation
21:23

And the city had no need of the sun, neither of the moon, to shine in it: for the glory of God did lighten it, and the Lamb is the light thereof.

Light Has A Power Source

Acts 1:8

But ye shall receive power, after that the Holy Ghost is come upon you: and ye shall be witnesses unto me both in Jerusalem, and in all Judaea, and in Samaria, and unto the uttermost part of the earth.

Light Has A
Power Source

Psalm 18:28

For thou wilt light my candle:
the Lord my God will enlighten my
darkness.

Light Has A Power Source

John
12:35-37

Then Jesus said unto them, Yet a little while is the light with you. Walk while ye have the light, lest darkness come upon you: for he that walketh in darkness knoweth not whither he goeth. While ye have light, believe in the light, that ye may be the children of light. These things spake Jesus, and departed, and did hide himself from them. But though he had done so many miracles before them, yet they believed not on him:

Light Has A
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Romans 8:11

But if the Spirit of Him who raised Jesus from the dead dwells in you, He who raised Christ Jesus from the dead will also give life to your mortal bodies through His Spirit who dwells in you.

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Hebrews
12:1-6

Wherefore seeing we also are compassed about with so great a cloud of witnesses, let us lay aside every weight, and the sin which doth so easily beset us, and let us run with patience the race that is set before us, Looking unto Jesus the author and finisher of our faith; who for the joy that was set before him endured the cross, despising the shame, and is set down at the right hand of the throne of God. For consider him that endured such contradiction of sinners against himself, lest ye be wearied and faint in your minds. Ye have not yet resisted unto blood, striving against sin. And ye have forgotten the exhortation which speaketh unto you as unto children, My son, despise not thou the chastening of the Lord, nor faint when thou art rebuked of him: For whom the Lord loveth he chasteneth, and scourgeth every son whom he receiveth

Light Has A Power Source

John 14:23-27

If a man love me, he will keep my words: and my Father will love him, and we will come unto him, and make our abode with him. He that loveth me not keepeth not my sayings: and the word which ye hear is not mine, but the Father's which sent me. These things have I spoken unto you, being yet present with you. But the Comforter, which is the Holy Ghost, whom the Father will send in my name, he shall teach you all things, and bring all things to your remembrance, whatsoever I have said unto you. Peace I leave with you, my peace I give unto you: not as the world giveth, give I unto you. Let not your heart be troubled, neither let it be afraid.

This Little Light of Mine?

- Just how intense is our light ?
- Is our light a little light that only casts a little ways?
- What is the emotion of our light?
- Is our light a cold winter day or as warm and refreshing as a new spring day?
- What is our power source plugged into?
- Are we making the best use of that power source?

Romans 12:10-13

Be kindly affectioned one to another with brotherly love; in honour preferring one another; Not slothful in business; fervent in spirit; serving the Lord; Rejoicing in hope; patient in tribulation; continuing instant in prayer; Distributing to the necessity of saints; given to hospitality.

Matthew 5:13-16

Ye are the salt of the earth: but if the salt have lost his savour, wherewith shall it be salted? it is thenceforth good for nothing, but to be cast out, and to be trodden under foot of men. Ye are the light of the world. A city that is set on an hill cannot be hid. Neither do men light a candle, and put it under a bushel, but on a candlestick; and it giveth light unto all that are in the house. Let your light so shine before men, that they may see your good works, and glorify your Father which is in heaven.

Are you a light of the
world?

Are we drawing people to our light?

IF NOT, HOW CAN OTHERS EVER SEE

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