THE GOSPEL OF LUKE

JESUS CHRIST THE SON OF MAN

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TURNING ON THE LIGHT

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Luke 11:33-36

"No one, when he has lit a lamp, puts *it* in a secret place or under a basket, but on a lampstand, that those who come in may see the light. **:34** The lamp of the body is the eye. Therefore, when your eye is good, your whole body also is full of light. But when *your eye* is bad, your body also *is* full of darkness. **:35** Therefore take heed that the light which is in you is not darkness. **:36** If then your whole body *is* full of light, having no part dark, *the* whole *body* will be full of light, as when the bright shining of a lamp gives you light."

Jesus presents "the application" if you will

of what He has been teaching. He does this in the form of similitudes or short parables.

By Doing This;

He's painting a vivid picture of His teachings. He brings the message to them in **technicolor**.

TURNING ON THE LIGHT

v.33

1.) The value of light

1a.)	Light is meant to be seen	v.33

"No one, when he has lit a **lamp**, puts it in a secret place or under a basket, Once Again, Jesus States the Obvious to the Listeners.

"No One Ever Does That"

- Jesus, What In The World Are You Talking About?

Christian, we're to be Shining, Burning, and Seen by Others. But How Does That Happen in Real Life?

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."

THE VALUE OF LIGHT

1b.) Light is meant to be useful

v.33

but is put on a lampstand,

A Lampstand was Placed in the Most Obvious Spot. Centered in the Room / Down Hallways / in Dark Places

Luke 2:32

A **light** to *bring* revelation to the Gentiles, And the **glory** of Your people Israel." **:33** And Joseph and His mother marveled at those things which were spoken of Him.

Jesus' Coming to Earth

Matthew 4:14-16

that it might be fulfilled which was spoken by Isaiah the prophet, saying: **:15** *"The land of Zebulun and the land of Naphtali, By the way of the sea, beyond the Jordan, Galilee of the Gentiles:* **:16** *The people who sat in darkness* **have seen a great light,** *And upon those who sat in the region and shadow of death* **Light** *has dawned."*

1c.) Light is meant to be discerning

v.33

...that those who come in may see the light.

It Should be Normal for Us to be Drawn to the Light. light makes us relax, to no longer worry or guess darkness will always cause worry, frustration, panic

Listen - When You're In The Light, you can see everything

Isn't This World "Undiscerning" - "Unable" to See the Light?

Ephesians 5:11-14

have **no fellowship** with the unfruitful works of darkness, but rather expose *them.* **:12** For it is shameful even to speak of those things which are done by them in secret. **:13** But all things that are exposed are made manifest by the light, for whatever makes manifest is light. **:14** Therefore He says: "Awake, you who sleep, Arise from the dead, And Christ will give you light."

John 3:18-21

"He who believes in Him is not condemned; but he who does not believe is condemned already, because he has not believed in the name of the only begotten Son of God. :**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. :**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."

TURNING ON THE LIGHT

2.) The need to see

v.34

:34 The lamp of the body is the eye.

Therefore, when your **eye** is good, your whole body also is full of light. But when *your eye* is bad, your body also *is* full of darkness.

Jesus Takes a Physical Attribute of Ours

and connects it to a spiritual reality.

your physical eyes "convert" what they take

in and applies it in the spiritual realm of who and what you are.

2a.) What we see shapes our purpose v.34

The lamp of the body is the eye...

the eye works like a lens.

it doesn't create light, it channels light, it is the mode of delivery

Ephesians 5:8 For you were once darkness, **but now** *you are* light in the Lord. Walk as children of light

1 Corinthians 6:9-11

Do you not know that the unrighteous will not inherit the kingdom of God? Do not be deceived. Neither fornicators, (maybe you're doing that) nor idolaters, (maybe you're doing that) nor adulterers, (maybe you're doing that) nor homosexuals, (maybe you're doing that) nor sodomites, (maybe you're doing that) :10 nor thieves, (maybe you're doing that) nor covetous, (maybe you're doing that) nor drunkards, nor revilers, nor extortioners (maybe you're doing that) will inherit the kingdom of God. :11 And such were some of you. But you were washed, but you were sanctified, but you were justified in the name of the Lord Jesus and by the Spirit of our God.

THE NEED TO SEE

2b.) What we see gives us vision

v.34

Therefore, when your **eye** is good, your whole body also is full of light.

good aJplouvß haplous, *hap-looce ´;* to make singular, focused, a directed beam – laser!

John 12:36 While ye have light, believe **in the light**, that ye may be the children of light.

John 9:4-5

I must work the works of Him who sent Me while it is day; *the* night is coming when no one can work. **:5** As long as I am in the world, I am the light of the world."

2c.) What we see can ruin our lives

v.34

But when your eye is bad, your body also is full of darkness.

bad ponhro/ß poneros, pon-ay-ros ´; to be diseased, unhealthy, immoral

Because the "Lens" (the "Eye") is Dirty, everything is dirty – it's seen as dirty.

1 John 1:6-7

If we say that we have fellowship with Him, and walk in darkness, we lie and do not practice the truth. **:7** But if we walk in the light as He is in the light, we have fellowship with one another, and the blood of Jesus Christ His Son cleanses us from all sin.

1 John 2:9

He who says he is in the light, and hates his brother, is in darkness until now.

In All of Our lives each of us today are either controlled by the light or by the darkness

the terrible thing is;

there are people who have been living so long in the dark that they have become accustomed to the dark. they have become comfortable with the night.

When Your Eye is Bad – The Heart will Become Infected by Sinful Conduct

2 Corinthians 4:3-4

But even if our gospel is veiled, it is veiled to those who are perishing, :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.

TURNING ON THE LIGHT

3.) The path you're on

v.35-36

3a.) The light of God's word softens the heart v.35

Therefore **take heed** that the light which is in you is not darkness.

How Can That Be?

Here, The Great Physician, Jesus Christ makes a diagnosis of those in verse 29,30,32... "This Generation – is blinded by a bad eye, thus they cannot see the Good."

DARKNESS, SIN, HARDENS OUR LIVES.

G. Cambell Morgan Said,

"Sin places cataracts over the eyes of our souls"

if your eyes are **transmitting** into your life **selfishness**, then you're going to be a selfish person.

if your eyes are **transmitting** into your life **mercy**, then you're going to be a merciful person.

if your eyes are **transmitting** into your life pornography, then you're going to be a **pornographic** person.

if your eyes are **transmitting** into your life acts of **love**, then you're going to be a **loving** person.

there is a warning here for us; a bad eye will twist the light into darkness of heart.

every one of us knows something about this.

when our hearts are tender and our eyes are full of light, we are very aware of sinful conduct or wrongdoing.

1st danger is this;

as time goes on and our eyes are shaded, the light in us turns to darkness and the heart becomes callous towards evil.

2nd danger is this;

the heart then grows dull and indifferent to the pain and suffering of others around them.

3rd danger is this; a hardening heart becomes bitter, critical and loveless.

Jude 1:20-21

But you, beloved, building yourselves up on your most holy faith, praying in the Holy Spirit, 21 keep yourselves in the love of God, looking for the mercy of our Lord Jesus Christ unto eternal life.

Therefore **take heed** that the light which is in you is not darkness....

during the French Revolution there were a band of Christians who found no fellowship with the catholic church nor the church of England. they simply wanted the Bible and Jesus. they were arrested and imprisoned in a dark, cold dungeon that allowed about 30 minutes of sunlight per day to shine down on the wall. they would take the Bible and the lightest Christian brother and left him up into the light and he would read out loud to them all until it was too dark again to read at all.

They Had The Light, While They Were in the Light

THE PATH YOU'RE ON

3b.) The light of God's word directs the way v.36a

If then your whole body is full of light, having no part dark, the whole body will be full of light,

The "Light of God's Word" will Produce Direction and Order - GPS

Psalm 119:130

The entrance of Your words gives light; It gives understanding to the simple.

Proverbs 6:23

For the commandment is a lamp, and the teaching is light; And reproofs for discipline are the way of life,

THE LIGHT OF GOD'S WORD DIRECTS THE WAY ALL THE WAY HOME!!!

1 Thessalonians 5:1-9

But concerning the times and the seasons, brethren, you have no need that I should write to you. :2 For you yourselves know perfectly that the day of the Lord so comes as a thief in the night. :3 For when they say, "Peace and safety!" then sudden destruction comes upon them, as labor pains upon a pregnant woman. And they shall not escape. :4 But you, brethren, are not in darkness, so that this Day should overtake you as a thief. :5 You are all sons of light and sons of the day. We are not of the night nor of darkness. :6 Therefore let us not sleep, as others *do*, but let us watch and be sober. :7 For those who sleep, sleep at night, and those who get drunk are drunk at night. :8 But let us who are of the day be sober, putting on the breastplate of faith and love, and *as* a helmet the hope of salvation. :9 For God did not appoint us to wrath, but to obtain salvation through our Lord Jesus Christ.

THE PATH YOU'RE ON

3c.) The light of God's word fills our lives v.36b

...like when the bright shining of a lamp gives you light."

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.

When The "Bright Shining Lamp" is the light of your life, this world will look very dark

Colossians 3:16

Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly in all wisdom, teaching and admonishing one another in psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, singing with grace in your hearts to the Lord.

Gideon and His Men

Judges 7:16

Then he divided the three hundred men *into* three companies, and he put a trumpet into every man's hand, with empty pitchers, and torches inside the pitchers.

2 Corinthians 4:6-7

For it is the God who commanded light to shine out of darkness, who has shone in our hearts to *give* the light of the knowledge of the glory of God in the face of Jesus Christ. **:7** But we have this treasure in earthen vessels, that the excellence of the power may be of God and not of us.

What is the Source of Light in Your Life?

Can You Say That It Is Good Light or Is It Bad Light?

End of Study