

***The Gospel According To***  
***“John”***  
***Jesus Is The Christ: “Believe” and “Live”!***  
**Part II**

Introduction:

Biblical reality is a “dualism” – two irreducible elements of truth --  
“**Light**” and “**Darkness**”!

**A. The Battle between “Darkness” and “Light”:**

*“The entrance of Thy words giveth light; it giveth understanding unto the simple!”* --Psalm 119:130 (KJV)

1. The Day “the Light” went \_\_\_\_\_!
  - Mankind was created in the “\_\_\_\_\_” of \_\_\_\_\_ with God, Gen. 3:8,10.
  - This living relationship was replaced by spiritual \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ from God, Gen. 3:3, 7.
  - Mankind was “\_\_\_\_\_” into the \_\_\_\_\_ of life \_\_\_\_\_ God, Gen. 3:23-24.
  - God gave the “\_\_\_\_\_” of the \_\_\_\_\_ of “the Light”, Gen. 3:15.
2. The Day “the Light” \_\_\_\_\_!
  - God chose a “\_\_\_\_\_” through Abraham (Gen. 12:1-3) so that “the Promise” could be fulfilled.
  - He brought this infant Nation into “the Land” He had promised, Gen. 17:8.
  - When they left “the Land” due to difficulty, the Nation spent \_\_\_\_\_ years in slavery in Egypt, Gen. 15:13.
  - Through Moses, God delivered His people from Egypt, gave them “the Law” on Mount Sinai, and promised to come down and “\_\_\_\_\_” among them, Ex. 25:22.
  - The Light of God’s “Glory” \_\_\_\_\_ to the earth and \_\_\_\_\_ with His People “Israel” -- \_\_\_\_\_ them through earth’s “Darkness”, Ex. 40:34-38.
  - Key:** God’s Glory “dwelt” **only** with Israel; Darkness **ruled** in every other part of the earth!

3. The day the “ \_\_\_\_\_ ” \_\_\_\_\_, I Sam. 4:21-22.
- The repeated unbelief of God’s people and the failure of spiritual leadership through Eli and his sons led to the loss of the “Shekinah” Glory in the Holy of Holies, I Sam. 4:21-22.
  - The leadership of the Nation moved into the hands of human leaders -- “kings”-- most being wicked and idolatrous men.
  - National “idolatry” led to God’s judgment and “captivity” by foreign powers – God’s voice being heard **only** through the “Prophets”, who warned of coming judgment, but also repeated the “Promise” of the \_\_\_\_\_ of the “Glory”, Isa. 7:14; 9:2, 6-7.
  - God put the Northern Kingdom (Israel) in “captivity” to Assyria in 722 B.C.; the Southern Kingdom (Judah) to Babylon in 587 B.C.
  - When God graciously “returned” Judah to “the Land”, the long pattern of unfaithfulness continued, so God \_\_\_\_\_ sending Prophets to \_\_\_\_\_ for Him -- their voices were “ \_\_\_\_\_ ”!
- Note:** \_\_\_\_\_ **years passed before God’s “ \_\_\_\_\_ ”**  
**was heard again!**

**B. The day the “ \_\_\_\_\_ ” \_\_\_\_\_ !**

1. Matthew 1:18-25.
  - Notice the emphasis on “ \_\_\_\_\_ ” of God’s promise and the importance of the \_\_\_\_\_ of “the \_\_\_\_\_ ” of Abraham and David.
2. Luke 1:26-35.
  - Notice the fulfillment of “a virgin bearing a son”, Isa. 7:14.
3. Luke 2:8-20.
  - Notice the “ \_\_\_\_\_ ” of the “ \_\_\_\_\_ ” of God!
4. **John 1:5, 14.** (Cf. 8:12; 9:5)
  - “*The Light shines in the darkness, and the darkness did not comprehend it.*”
  - “*And the Word became flesh, and dwelt among us, and we saw His glory, glory as of the only begotten from the Father, full of grace and truth.*”