

Mark 1:14-15

Now after John was arrested,
Jesus came into Galilee,
proclaiming the gospel of God, and saying,

“The time is fulfilled,
and the Kingdom of God is at hand;
repent and believe in the gospel.”

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Mark 4:10-13

And when he was alone, those around him with the twelve asked him about the parables.

And he said to them,
“To you has been given the secret
of the kingdom of God,
but for those outside everything is in parables,
so that ‘they may indeed see but not perceive,
and may indeed hear but not understand,
lest they should turn and be forgiven.’”

Mark 4:10-13

And he said to them,
“Do you not understand this parable?
How then will you understand
all the parables?”

Mark 4:26-29

And he said, “The kingdom of God is
as if a man should scatter seed on the ground.
He sleeps and rises night and day,
and the seed sprouts and grows;
he knows not how.

The earth produces by itself,
first the blade, then the ear,
then the full grain in the ear.
But when the grain is ripe,
at once he puts in the sickle,
because the harvest has come.”

Mark 4:30-32

And he said, “With what can we compare the kingdom of God, or what parable shall we use for it?

“It is like a grain of mustard seed, which, when sown on the ground, is the smallest of all the seeds on earth, yet when it is sown it grows up and becomes larger than all the garden plants and puts out large branches, so that the birds of the air can make nests in its shade.”

And he said to them,
“Is a lamp brought in to be put under a basket,
or under a bed, and not on a stand?
For nothing is hidden
except to be made manifest;
nor is anything secret except to come to light.
If anyone has ears to hear,
let him hear.”

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Matthew 5:14-16

“You are the light of the world.
A city set on a hill cannot be hidden.
Nor do people light a lamp
and put it under a basket, but on a stand,
and it gives light to all in the house.
In the same way, let your light shine
before others, so that they may see
your good works and give glory
to your Father who is in heaven.”

Philippians 2:14-16

Do all things without grumbling or questioning,
that you may be blameless and innocent,
children of God without blemish in the midst
of a crooked and twisted generation,
among whom you shine as lights in the world,
holding fast to the word of life,
so that in the day of Christ I may be proud
that I did not run in vain or labor in vain.

2 Corinthians 4:6-7

For God, who said,
“Let light shine out of darkness,”
has shone in our hearts to give the light
of the knowledge of the glory of God
in the face of Jesus Christ.

But we have this treasure in jars of clay,
to show that the surpassing power
belongs to God
and not to us.

Numbers 6:24-26

The LORD bless you and keep you.

The LORD make his face to shine upon you
and be gracious to you.

The LORD lift up his countenance upon you
and give you peace.

Isaiah 60:1-5

Arise, shine, for your light has come,
and the glory of the LORD has risen upon you.
For behold, darkness shall cover the earth,
and thick darkness the peoples;
but the LORD will arise upon you,
and his glory will be seen upon you.
And nations shall come to your light,
and kings to the brightness of your rising.
Lift up your eyes all around, and see;
they all gather together, they come to you...
Then you shall see and be radiant;
your heart shall thrill and exult.

Daniel 12:2-3

And many of those who sleep
in the dust of the earth shall awake,
some to everlasting life,
and some to shame and everlasting contempt.

And those who are wise shall shine
like the brightness of the sky above;
and those who turn many to righteousness,
like the stars forever and ever.

Matthew 13:43

Then the righteous will shine like the sun
in the kingdom of their Father.

He who has ears, let him hear.

Revelation 21:23-25

And the city has no need of sun or moon to shine on it, for the glory of God gives it light, and its lamp is the Lamb.

By its light will the nations walk,
and the kings of the earth will bring
their glory into it, and its gates
will never be shut by day –
and there will be no night there.

Mark 4:24

And he said to them,
“Pay attention to what you hear:
with the measure you use,
it will be measured to you,
and still more will be added to you.”

Mark 4:25

“For to the one who has,
more will be given,
and from the one who has not,
even what he has will be taken away.”

John 8:12

Again Jesus spoke to them, saying,

“I am the light of the world.

Whoever follows me will not walk in darkness,
but will have the light of life.”

John 12:35-36

So Jesus said to them,
“The light is among you for a little while longer.
Walk while you have the light,
lest darkness overtake you.
The one who walks in the darkness
does not know where he is going.
While you have the light,
believe in the light,
that you may become sons of light.”

Ephesians 5:8-9

At one time you were darkness,
but now you are light in the Lord.
Walk as children of light
(for the fruit of light is found in all
that is good and right and true).

1 John 1:5-7

This is the message we have heard from him
and proclaim to you, that God is light,
and in him is no darkness at all.

If we say we have fellowship with him
while we walk in darkness,
we lie and do not practice the truth.
But if we walk in the light, as he is in the light,
we have fellowship with one another,
and the blood of Jesus his Son
cleanses us from all sin.

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