



*Carry the Light*

Psa. 119:105

*“Carry the Light to Exhibit God’s Guidance”*

Psa. 119:105 Thy word *is* a lamp unto my feet,  
and a light unto my path.

### Review

During the Christmas season, we are following our theme, *Carry the Light*, by focusing on how carrying the light of the Gospel will allow us to *exhibit God* with our lives.

The conduct of a true Christian, one who is genuinely “born again,” is the outcome of a doctrinal foundation. We are **“living out our faith,”** and our testimony indicates the quality of it, be it good or bad.

**As I believe, therefore I live.**



Last week, we consider how carrying the light exhibit God's Greatness...

## I. CARRY THE LIGHT TO EXHIBIT GOD'S GREATNESS

Mt. 5:14 **Ye are the light of the world.** A city that is set on an hill cannot be hid.

15 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.

16 **Let your light so shine** before men, that they **may see your good works, and glorify your Father** which is in heaven.

A. God's Greatness via Normal Conversation

B. God's Greatness via the Natural Creation

C. God's Greatness via the New Creature



This morning we will consider how *carrying the light* exhibits God's guidance in our life.

## II. CARRY THE LIGHT TO EXHIBIT GOD'S GUIDANCE

Prov. 3:5 Trust in the LORD with all thine heart; and lean not unto thine own understanding.

6 In all thy ways acknowledge him, and **he shall direct thy paths.**

### A. Guidance in Limiting Self

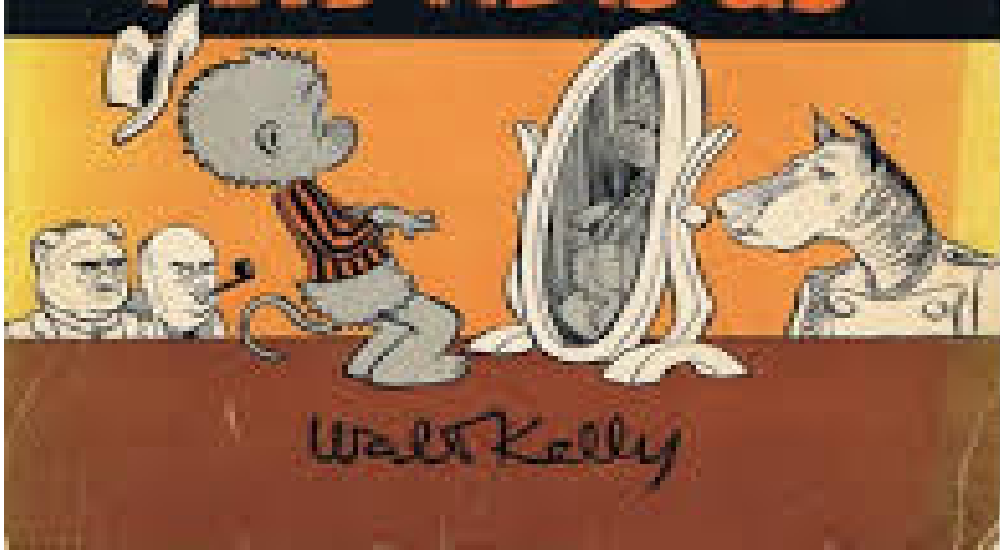
1. We certainly fester a sinful snare.



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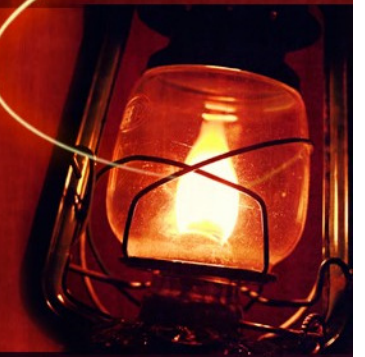
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WE HAVE MET  
THE ENEMY  
AND HE IS US



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- Most of our major mistakes in life happen when we make foolish decisions.



Prov. 21:2 **Every way of a man is right in his own eyes:** but the LORD pondereth the hearts.

- We make foolish decisions because we are in spiritual darkness and not in fellowship with the Lord Jesus Christ.

Prov. 4:19 **The way of the wicked is as darkness:** they know not at what they stumble.

- Without Christ leading our lives, we lack discernment to make wise choices.

Prov. 12:15 **The way of a fool is right in his own eyes:** but he that hearkeneth unto counsel *is* wise.

- Unwise decisions lead to very difficult circumstances.

Prov. 13:15 Good understanding giveth favour: but **the way of transgressors is hard.**



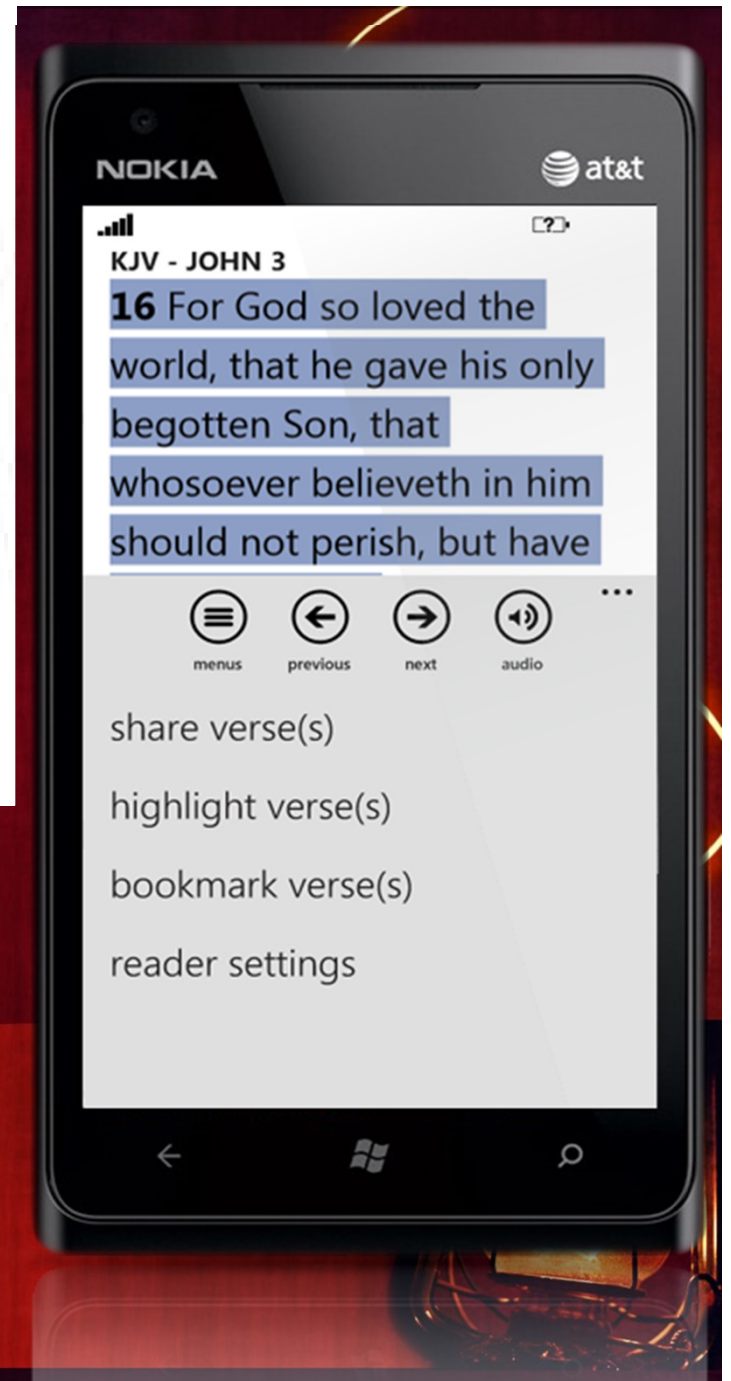
Psa. 107:40 He poureth contempt upon princes,  
and causeth them to wander in the wilderness,  
***where there is no way.***

- The greatest tragedy in making selfish decisions is dishonoring the Lord.

Prov. 15:9 **The way of the wicked is an abomination unto the LORD:** but he loveth him that followeth after righteousness.

- There is a better “guidance system” available!





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## 2. We can find the spiritual solution.

Psa. 119:9 **Wherewithal shall a young man cleanse his way?** by taking heed *thereto* according to thy word.

- Guidance in limiting self should start in childhood.

Prov. 22:6 Train up a child in **the way** he should go: and when he is old, he will not depart from it.

- The benefits in learning spiritual guidance have life-long ramifications!

Psa. 16:11 Thou wilt **shew me the path of life**: in thy presence *is* fulness of joy; at thy right hand *there are* pleasures for evermore.



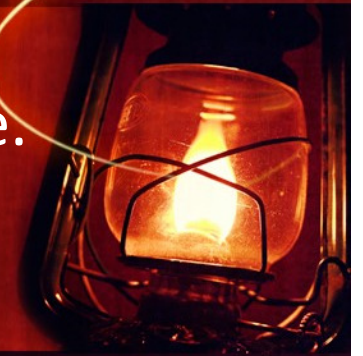
- Spiritual guidance should be the focus of our walk of faith!

Psa. 119:35 **Make me to go in the path of thy commandments;** for therein do I delight.

Psa. 143:8 Cause me to hear thy lovingkindness in the morning; for in thee do I trust: **cause me to know the way wherein I should walk;** for I lift up my soul unto thee.

- The spiritual compass of a believer should always point to the Lord Jesus Christ!

Jn. 14:6 Jesus saith unto him, **I am the way**, the truth, and the life: no man cometh unto the Father, but by me.

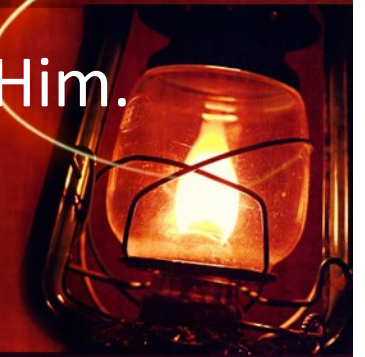


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## B. Guidance in Learning the Savior

- Our life is much more enjoyable and productive when we yoke up with the Creator and learn of Him.



Mt. 11:28 **Come unto me**, all ye that labour and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest.

29 Take my yoke upon you, and **learn of me**; for I am meek and lowly in heart: and ye shall find rest unto your souls.

30 For my yoke *is* easy, and my burden is light.

- We learn of Him via fellowship with Him as we search the Scriptures.

Jn. 5:39 **Search the scriptures**; for in them ye think ye have eternal life: and **they are they which testify of me.**

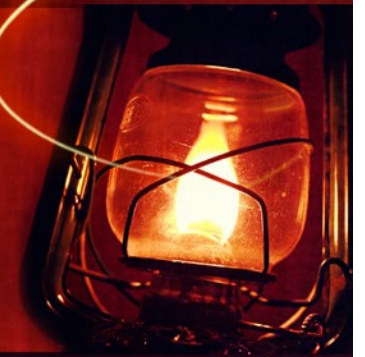


- We are to search and study the Bible in order to please and honor God.

2 Tim. 2:15 **Study to shew thyself approved unto God**, a workman that needeth not to be ashamed, rightly dividing the word of truth.

### C. Guidance in Living Simplistically

- As we put these principles into practice, we experience the simplicity that life is intended to be.



2 Cor. 1:12 For our rejoicing is this, **the testimony of our conscience, that in simplicity and godly sincerity, not with fleshly wisdom, but by the grace of God**, we have had our conversation in the world, and more abundantly to you-ward.

- God's plan for us is to exhibit His influence in guiding our lives, for His glory!

Jn. 10:10 The thief cometh not, but for to steal, and to kill, and to destroy: **I am come that they might have life, and that they might have *it* more abundantly.**



## Conclusion

Col. 3:1 **If ye then be risen with Christ, seek those things which are above**, where Christ sitteth on the right hand of God.

2 **Set your affection on things above**, not on things on the earth.

3 For ye are dead, and **your life is hid with Christ in God.**

4 When **Christ, who is our life**, shall appear, then shall ye also appear with him in glory.

