

with *Uncle Pee.*

From Darkness to Light

Text: John 8 vs 12-14

I pray for you today and in the spirit of the season may everything that represent darkness be uprooted from your life today in Jesus name. Our topic is from darkness to light but first let us look briefly at what is called darkness. Darkness represents more than just absence of light, it symbolizes various concept including evil, judgment, separation from God. It is often used in contrast to light which symbolizes goodness, truth and Gods presence. Darkness connotes everything that is Anti-God, the wicked (Proverb 2vs13-14) 1 Thessalonians 5vs4-7, judgment Matt 25vs30 and death Psalm 88vs12.

The characteristics of darkness amongst others are sorrow, defeats, failures, losses, death, destruction, sin, ungodliness and even Satan. One who walks in darkness is rejecting the revelation through Jesus Christ (John 1vs 6-7), it means you are hiding from God (Proverb 4vs19,) I pray for you today, may you and your household not hide from God in Jesus name. Brethren from darkness to light is the plan of God for man. This is why at the beginning of creation in Gen1vs3, God said let there be light and indeed thee was light. God said this in order to bring light into the dark world because light is a symbol of holiness, goodness, knowledge, wisdom, grace, hope and God's revelation. The book of Psalm 56vs13 described light as life, Isaiah 9vs2 describes light as salvation, Proverb 6vs23 refers to light as commandment while exodus 10vs23 describes light as the divine presence of God.

In the book of John 8vs12, our Lord Jesus Christ said 'I am the light of the world. This statement did not only confirm what God said in Gen 1vs3 it also signifies that Jesus is the source of truth, guidance and life illuminating the darkness of ignorance and sin. So movement from darkness to light is to leave darkness and submit to Jesus who is the source of truth and guidance because as the light He reveals the truth about God and offers guidance for living a meaningful life.

Moving from darkness to light is to move away from darkness and submit to Jesus whose light symbolizes removal of darkness

representing ignorance, sin and spiritual blindness. Moving from darkness to light is to move into the promise of life because it is only Jesus that will give us life and life more abundantly (John 10vs10.)

In the book of John 8vs13 Jesus said 'whoever follows me will never walk in darkness but will have the light of life'. In this book of john 1 vs1-3 the bible says 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 anything made that was made, in him was life and the light of men, and the light shineth in darkness and darkness comprehended it not.

Moving from darkness to light is to comprehend this truth and move to Jesus whose light shineth in darkness and darkness cannot comprehend it. This is the message for the season as children of God to move into the world and let the light of Christ shine through us. This is why we have come to evangelize to people so that they can see this light through us, but that is not the end, this light must shine continuously through us. How can this light shine through us as his children? We must see things the way God sees them and responding the way He does. We walk in this light when we hate sin. We must be kind, compassionate, show love and care to other people, we must be true and honest to other. The word of God says let your light shine before others that they may see your good works and glorify your father in heaven (Matt 5vs16). It is only when we live the principles of the gospel that we preach that we are the fulfillment of the Savior's pronouncement "Ye are the light of the world".

As we conclude the question we ask ourselves is, are you a light of the world or you are still in darkness? Bow your head and talk to God, say father make me a light of the world. Help me to fully submit to you because you are the only one who can lead me out of darkness into the light of life.

