

## WALKING IN THE LIGHT

### *Isaiah 2.1-22*

Isaiah paints an end times picture of what God's people are destined for and invites them to walk in a manner worthy of that future. Yet he also delivers a warning—listing the ways in which God's prideful people have ceased to place their faith and trust wholly in the Lord.

**The Hope:** There will be peace, and God will be exalted over all the earth. vv 2-5

**The Warning:** Stop trusting in humanity. vv 6-22

### **4 Areas that Lure Us Away from Trusting in God Alone** vv 6-8

1. Tolerating ungodly practices
2. Putting confidence in wealth
3. Trusting in military might
4. Relying on yourself and personal accomplishments

**The bigger problem:** Pride vv 9-18

**God's question to us:** *Stop trusting in mere humans, who have but a breath in their nostrils. Why hold them in esteem?*  
*Isaiah 2.22*

**God's invitation:** *Come, descendants of Jacob, let us walk in the light of the Lord.*  
*Isaiah 2.5*

## How do we accept Isaiah's invitation to '*walk in the light of the Lord*'?

### 1. FOLLOW JESUS

*When Jesus spoke again to the people, he said, "I am the light of the world. Whoever follows me will never walk in darkness, but will have the light of life."*  
John 8.12

### 2. FILL YOUR LIFE WITH SCRIPTURE

*Your word is a lamp for my feet, a light on my path.* Psalm 119.105

*For the word of God is alive and active. Sharper than any double-edged sword, it penetrates even to dividing soul and spirit, joints and marrow; it judges the thoughts and attitudes of the heart.* Hebrews 4.12

### 3. FORM A LIFESTYLE OF SPIRITUAL FRUIT

*For you were once darkness, but now you are light in the Lord. Live as children of light (for the fruit of the light consists in all goodness, righteousness and truth)...* Ephesians 5.8-9

*But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, forbearance, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness and self-control. Against such things there is no law. Those who belong to Christ Jesus have crucified the flesh with its passions and desires. Since we live by the Spirit, let us keep in step with the Spirit. Let us not become conceited, provoking and envying each other.* Galatians 5.22-26

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What is God saying to me?

What am I going to do about it?

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