### Bible/College Class Notes - From John's Gospel-Lesson 40

# The 'I AM' Sayings of the Lord Jesus Christ.

This week we continue lessons which teach the almighty saving power of Jesus Christ.

# Jesus said, "As long as I am in the world, I AM the Light of the World". John 9v5.

#### **Bible Readings for this week:**

(Choose a regular time each day to read the bible and pray whether it be when you first wake up or just before you go to sleep)

Day	Bible Reading	Tick When Read
Sunday	John 8v12-21 (I AM The Light of The World)	
Monday	John 8v22-32 (True disciples believe and obey)	
Tuesday	John 9v1-12 (The Lord miraculously heals a blind man)	
Wednesday	John 9v13-29 (The man testifies that the Lord had done it)	
Thursday	John 9v30-41 (The blind unbelief of Pharisees)	
Friday	Isaiah 60v1-21 (Prophecy of Glorious Heaven)	
Saturday	Revelation 21v1-27 (Jesus Christ, The Light of Heaven)	

Important Lesson for us Today: Today, this evil world programs us to believe only in what we can see or touch. As we cannot see God with our physical eyes, we are tempted to believe that He does not exist. So, we carry on living our lives without heartfelt respect for Him, and His truth. Whilst on this earth we will not see God because, as The Lord told the Woman of Samaria, "God is a Spirit: and they that worship Him must worship Him in spirit and in truth". John 4v24. John also tells us in John 1v18 that, "No man hath seen God at any time, the only begotten Son (The Lord Jesus), which is in the bosom of the Father, He hath declared Him". The Lord Jesus came to earth to declare the Truth of God to us. Jesus Christ is The Light of The World, and He has sent The Holy Spirit to cause us to 'see' these wonderful truths through faith and believe on them to the saving of our soul.

#### Hymn 432 - Tells of The Lord Jesus Christ being the Light that our souls need: -

- I heard the voice of Jesus say, 'Come unto Me and rest;
   Lay down, thou weary one, lay down Thy head upon My breast.'
   I came to Jesus as I was, Weary, and worn, and sad;
   I found in Him a resting-place, And He has made me glad.
- 3. I heard the voice of Jesus say,
  'I am this dark world's Light;
  Look unto Me, thy morn shall rise,
  And all thy day be bright'.
  I looked to Jesus, and I found
  In Him, my Star, my Sun;
  And in that light of life I'll walk
  Till traveling days are done.

## EDT Bible/College Class Take Home Sheet

This sheet is given to remind you of the lesson and to encourage you to read your Bible.

# Jesus Christ Said, 'I AM the Light of the World'.

- The Man Blind from Birth.
- o The blind man had never seen anything before, not even himself!
- He was totally blind to all the dangers and beauty around him.
- He had stumbled through life, needing others to help him every day.
- He did not know that the Lord was near to him, with power to give sight.
- We too are Spiritually Blind from Birth.
  - Naturally: -
  - We do not know God, nor do we want to feel His Holy presence, or saving power.
  - We do not know where to find Him, nor do we ask in prayer for His forgiveness.
  - We do not have experience of His Love rejecting His mercy, and power to save.
  - We are 'blind' to our souls' danger. We 'see' no beauty in the Saviour.
- o We think that, as we cannot see God, He does not exist nor see us!

## • Sight Restored by God.

- The Lord in His compassion and mercy came and found the blind man.
   He miraculously restored his sight by simply making wet clay,
   applying it to his eyes and sending him to wash in the Pool of Siloam.
- The man accepted this humbling treatment, obeyed, and gained his sight.
- O He now knew that the Lord had restored his sight and saved him.

## • Our Spiritual Sight can Only be Restored by God.

- O We need light to see clearly. Darkness hides our dangerous surroundings.
- Without the Holy Spirit breathing new life into our souls, we mistakenly 'see' ourselves as good, nice people - surely acceptable to God. Dead in our sin.
- We need the Holy Spirit's help to 'see' ourselves as God sees us sinners who are disobedient to God, proud, selfish. Totally unable to please God.
- This convicting work of The Holy Spirit causes us to 'see' the terrible offence to God of our unforgiven sin, and to 'see', (believe), that Jesus Christ offers Himself as our Saviour, causing us to plead for cleansing and forgiveness.
- If you can say with the blind man "Whereas I was blind, now I see?"
  - You now have a heartfelt desire to repent and believe, using God's Gift of Faith.
  - You now have a soul full of wonder, love, and gratitude towards God and His mercy, a soul which now realises that The Lord Jesus Christ died on Calvary to save you.
  - You have now been given a new purpose in life a desire to trust and obey the Lord, a desire to read His Word believingly, pray to Him sincerely, worship Him, serve Him, and a desire to witness to others of the joy of your new-found faith in Him.

The Lord Jesus Christ said, "I AM the light of the world: he that followeth Me shall not walk in darkness, but shall have the light of life." John 8v12.