

2. 2 Samuel 23:3-4

3. Job 29:2-4

4. Psalm 4:6

5. Psalm 89:15-16

6. Proverbs 4:18-19

7. Isaiah 9:2

8. Isaiah 60:1-3

9. Micah 7:7-9

10. Numbers 6:24-26

11. John 1:1-4

12. John 12:35-36

13. 2 Corinthians 4:6

14. 1 Thessalonians 5:4-6 29. 1 John 1:5-7

15. 1 Peter 2:9-10

16. Exodus 13:21-22

17. Nehemiah 9:19

18. Psalm 18:28

19. Psalm 19:8

20. Psalm 119:130

21. Proverbs 6:23

22. Isaiah 8:20

23. Luke 1:77-79

24. Acts 26:18

25. Ephesians 5:13-14

26. Isaiah 42:16

27. Malachi 4:2

28. John 8:12

30. Psalm 112:1-4

31. Revelation 22:5

If we want to grow a garden, it needs to be where the rays of the sun can reach it. Plants use the energy from sunlight to convert water and carbon dioxide into oxygen and sugar. The sugar can be converted into chemicals required for plant growth, stored as starch until needed, and broken down to release energy.

If a plant is growing in complete darkness, it will use all of its resources growing as fast as possible to reach the sunlight, becoming yellow and weak and eventually dying. It cannot live if it stays in the darkness.

In our spiritual garden, it is clear that we have to come out of darkness, and expose ourselves to light. "And this is the condemnation, that light is come into the world, and men loved darkness rather than light, because their deeds were evil" (John 3:19).

Light is the revelation of God's glory: of His grace and mercy, of His love and goodness. Jesus was the manifestation of God. He said about himself: "I am the light of the world: he that followeth me shall not walk in darkness, but shall have the light of life" (John 8:12).

Light, then, is also the word that provides knowledge of what is right and good and directs our path. Jesus is the Word and the Light for us as an example of righteousness.

