

STEP TOWARD THE LIGHT  
TABERNACLE LIGHT & GUIDANCE IN OUR LIVES

**EXODUS 27:16-21**

- Intro:
1. In the barren desert of Sinai, even the Hebrew people led by Moses saw hopelessness and ruin;
  2. Here God provided this magnificent, protable and symbolic oasis of guiding light.
  3. Today, we will find hope in navigating this treterous and sin-laden world as we look into the pattern of the tabernacle lights.

Prop: **You must Step Forward.**

**I. By the Three Resources of Guiding Light**

1. Sacrifice on the Altar = Personal Salvation

**Psalms 27:1** The LORD is my light and my salvation; whom shall I fear? the LORD is the strength of my life; of whom shall I be afraid?

**Isaiah 49:3-6** And said unto me, Thou art my servant, O Israel [Messiah prophesied], in whom I will be glorified. Then I said, I have laboured in vain, I have spent my strength for nought, and in vain: yet surely my judgment is with the LORD, and my work with my God. And now, saith the LORD that formed me from the womb to be his servant, to bring Jacob again to him, Though Israel be not gathered, yet shall I be glorious in the eyes of the LORD, and my God shall be my strength. And he said, It is a light thing that thou shouldest be my servant to raise up the tribes of Jacob, and to restore the preserved of Israel: I will also give thee for a light to the Gentiles, that thou mayest be my salvation unto the end of the earth.

**Psalms 118:24-29** This is the day which the LORD hath made; we will rejoice and be glad in it. Save now, I beseech thee, O LORD: O LORD, I beseech thee, send now prosperity. Blessed be he that cometh in the name of the LORD: we have blessed you out of the house of the LORD. God is the LORD, which hath shewed us light: bind the sacrifice with cords, even unto the horns of the altar. Thou art my God, and I will praise thee: thou art my God, I will exalt thee. O give thanks unto the LORD; for he is good: for his mercy endureth for ever.

**2 Corinthians 4:3-6** But if our gospel be hid, it is hid to them that are lost: In whom the god of this world hath blinded the minds of them which believe not, lest the light of the glorious gospel of Christ, who is the image of God, should shine unto them. For we preach not ourselves, but Christ Jesus the Lord; and ourselves your servants for Jesus' sake. For God, who commanded the light to shine out of darkness, hath shined in our hearts, to give the light of the knowledge of the glory of God in the face of Jesus Christ.

2. Stand for the Lamps = Filling of the Spirit

**Daniel 5:11** There is a man in thy kingdom, in whom is the spirit of the holy gods; and in the days of thy father light and understanding and wisdom, like the wisdom of the gods, was found in him; whom the king Nebuchadnezzar thy father, the king, I say, thy father, made master of the magicians, astrologers, Chaldeans, and soothsayers;

**John 15:26** But when the Comforter is come, whom I will send unto you from the Father, even the Spirit of truth, which proceedeth from the Father, he shall testify of me:

**Ephesians 5:13-18** But all things that are reproved are made manifest by the light: for whatsoever doth make manifest is light. Wherefore he saith, Awake thou that sleepest, and arise from the dead, and Christ shall give thee light. See then that ye walk circumspectly, not as fools, but as wise, Redeeming the time, because the days are evil. Wherefore be ye not unwise, but understanding what the will of the Lord is. And be not drunk with wine, wherein is excess; but be filled with the Spirit;

3. Shikinah Glory of God = Direct Access to God

**Light of Direct Revelation: Deuteronomy 5:24** And ye said, Behold, the LORD our God hath shewed us his glory and his greatness, and we have heard his voice out of the midst of the fire: we have seen this day that God doth talk with man, and he liveth.

**Light of Direct Communication: Hebrews 4:14-16** Seeing then that we have a great high priest, that is passed into the heavens, Jesus the Son of God, let us hold fast our profession. For we have not an high priest which cannot be touched with the feeling of our infirmities; but was in all points tempted like as we are, yet without sin. Let us therefore come boldly unto the throne of grace, that we may obtain mercy, and find grace to help in time of need.

**II. In the Three Reflections of Assuring Light**

1. Silver = Atonement as we are bought out of sin

**Ezekiel 7:19** They shall cast their silver in the streets, and their gold shall be removed: their silver and their gold shall not be able to deliver them in the day of the wrath of the LORD: they shall not satisfy their souls, neither fill their bowels: because it is the stumblingblock of their iniquity.

**Matthew 26:14-16** Then one of the twelve, called Judas Iscariot, went unto the chief priests, And said unto them, What will ye give me, and I will deliver him unto you? And they covenanted with him for thirty pieces of silver. And from that time he sought opportunity to betray him.

2. Brass = Judgment as we are free from condemnation

**John 3:14-21** And as Moses lifted up the serpent [brazen-Num.21:8-9] in the wilderness, even so must the Son of man be lifted up: That whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have eternal life. For God so loved the world, that he gave his only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have everlasting life. For God sent not his Son into the world to condemn the world; but that the world through him might be saved. He that believeth on him is not condemned: but he that believeth not is condemned

already, because he hath not believed in the name of the only begotten Son of God. And this is the condemnation, that light is come into the world, and men loved darkness rather than light, because their deeds were evil. For every one that doeth evil hateth the light, neither cometh to the light, lest his deeds should be reproved. But he that doeth truth cometh to the light, that his deeds may be made manifest, that they are wrought in God.

3. Gold = Divinity as we are made in the likeness of Christ  
(we shall be like him, becoming like him, new creation)

**Job 23:10** But he knoweth the way that I take: when he hath tried me, I shall come forth as gold.

**2 Corinthians 5:20-21** Now then we are ambassadors for Christ, as though God did beseech you by us: we pray you in Christ's stead, be ye reconciled to God. For he hath made him to be sin for us, who knew no sin; that we might be made the righteousness of God in him.

### III. Through the Three Refractors of Promising Light

1. Blue = Creation as God intended it

**Light of General Revelation: Psalms 19:1-3** The heavens declare the glory of God; and the firmament sheweth his handywork. Day unto day uttereth speech, and night unto night sheweth knowledge. There is no speech nor language, where their voice is not heard.

2. Purple = Crown of Glory on the King of Kings

**Revelation 17:14** These shall make war with the Lamb, and the Lamb shall overcome them: for he is Lord of lords, and King of kings: and they that are with him are called, and chosen, and faithful.

3. Scarlet = Cross of Jesus bridging the gap of sin to salvation

**Isaiah 1:18** Come now, and let us reason together, saith the LORD: though your sins be as scarlet, they shall be as white as snow; though they be red like crimson, they shall be as wool.

Conc:

Friend, I cannot tell you how to live, but God wants rather to show you His steady way through this very unsteady world.

Will you come today to receive Jesus as your personal Savior, repenting of your sinful direction headed for a sinner's hell and turning to the beautiful life and light of guidance of Jesus Christ. Believer, is there a missing reflector of God's love in your life? Is your witness and testimony marred by worry, mistrust, disobedience or doubt? Will you come and get things right with God in prayer and rededication of your life?

Invit. Hymn: \_\_\_\_\_ (#\_\_\_\_\_)



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*"How lovely is Your \_\_\_\_\_, O LORD of hosts!" PSALM 84:1*

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