DARKNESS ENTERS...

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Genesis 1:1-2

Darkness is attracted to **LACK**. Lack of organization, lack of structure, lack of knowledge, lack of stability, lack of leadership, lack of wisdom or lack of anything. When darkness enters an environment, person, household, etc confusion, despair, hopelessness and depression will have dominion.

Genesis 1:1-2 says, "In the beginning God created the heavens and the earth. And the earth was WITHOUT FORM, and VOID; and darkness was upon the face of the deep and the Spirit of God moved upon the face of the waters."

Darkness entered the earth when it had **NO** structure, shape, substance and order. Think about this. Within the first chapter and three sentences of the Bible God talks about darkness. He explains where it came from and why

it existed. Before God talks about faith, love, light and goodness, He mentions darkness.

The Lord wanted us to understand the origin of darkness so we can defeat the power of darkness. **YOU CANNOT DEFEAT WHAT YOU DO NOT KNOW**. The Hebrew meaning of the word darkness is misery, destruction, death, ignorance, sorrow and obscurity.

Anytime you are ignorant of something it is a form of darkness. As you get older in life you will experience one of these situations. Life will show you misery, sorrow, destruction, death and obscurity. Unfortunately, most people do not realize that they are in a place of darkness.

When darkness enters a person's life their perspective **CHANGES**. People complain **MORE** when they are in a state of darkness. People become **BITTER** when they are in a place of darkness. People become **ANGRY** when they are in a place of darkness.

THE ORIGIN OF EMOTIONAL IN-STABILITY COMES FROM PEOPLE EXPERIENCING MOMENTS OF DARKNESS.

WHEN DARKNESS ENTERS

Genesis 1:3-4

When darkness enters you must pursue the **LIGHT**. Only knowledge can destroy the frustration of ignorance. Only the feeling of contentment can destroy the pain of misery. Only order can prevent destruction from occurring.

Only the blood of Jesus can protect you from death. Only wisdom can conquer obscurity. Becoming **ENLIGHTENED** to what is keeping you down is the only way to live a life of clarity, truth and purpose.

Genesis 1:3-4 says, "Then God said, "Let there be light," and there was light. God saw that the light was good, so he divided the light from the darkness." Only God and the gifts

of God can enlighten you. WHEN GOD SPEAKS, DARKNESS LEAVES!

You cannot remove the spirit of darkness off of you on your own. It **REQUIRES** God's permission, love and favor. Anytime you are enlightened with God's knowledge, wise counsel and truth you are being favored. He is delivering you from the depths of despair.

Unfortunately, most people reject the Lord's deliverance because they **IGNORE** His messengers. God enlightens people through visions, messages, people, dreams, books, etc.

Anytime the Lord **SENDS** His servants to help you He is attempting to enlighten you. Walking down the road of enlightenment will lead you toward the path of contentment!

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- When darkness enters, **PRAY** for enlightenment.
- When darkness enters, be **SENSITIVE** to God's messengers so you can be delivered.

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