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“Who Turned The Lights On?” *John 9:4-7*

Genesis, the seed for the plant of the Bible presents in embryonic form, virtually all the great doctrines of the Scriptures; the origin of: man, sin, death, marriage, family, redemption, civilization and nationalism.

Genesis introduces us to the amazing grace of God—God providing for man in love that which man cannot earn, work for or ever deserve.

Every failure of man is met by a fresh demonstration of grace so when man sins, God comes up with a new grace response, on and on and so it will always be that way until the Last Judgment.

Genesis is God’s eye-witness account of the beginning of the human race and it’s where we begin to find out that God has given light to the universe for the purpose of reminding us that our existence depends upon light.

Light illustrates the Essence of God.

Light representing God was used for the divine guidance of Israel by night.

Jesus Christ, as the visible Person of the Godhead, is called the Light of the world and the Gospel is called light because it deals with Jesus Christ.

Being saved brings us out of darkness into light.

Our soul structure is said to be constructed of biblical truth or light.

And light also refers to our entrance into the Greater-Grace life.

No suffering can come to us until and unless it has met the approval of our Loving Father!

Would the blind man trade his condition for a ton of gold? No, his blindness may just have been the reason for his positive attitude toward God.

Maybe God is looking to glorify Himself through your hardship; what an honor!

Whatever our lot in life, when the Lord calls, may He find us in His service.

It is wrong to assume that good health is a sign of either salvation or spirituality just as it is equally wrong to assume that poor health indicates a lack of salvation or spirituality or favor with God.

‘Works’ is a reference to the Father, the Planner Who knew billions of years ago that this man would be both physically blind and simultaneously, spiritually positive to the Gospel.

God knew exactly what combination of genes and chromosomes would produce congenital blindness.

God’s purpose is to glorify Himself by revealing His grace.

The ‘works’ of God always represent His grace provision.

God is perfect, His plan is perfect and that explains the origin of grace.

So, in the plan of God, God must work for helpless man and He does!

Gracious God meets the need of helpless man and that reveals the Light of the world to the world!

God's grace means that He does all the work and if He allowed us to add anything to the mix,

it would reflect a flaw in His character.

God cannot bless anyone on the basis of their merit or deserving.

Grace in action always sheds light on the perfect character of God.

The blind man is healed but not saved yet and the healing of the body is not as important as the saving of the soul.

Bodily improvement will not change or even enhance the soul.

The blind man was positive toward God and His plan and therefore, he submitted to the clay treatment.

Many listen, few learn and even fewer obey.