

BLIND OBJECTIONS TO DIVINE LIGHT

JOHN 8:12-20

I. THE MAGNIFICENCE OF CHRIST'S GLORIOUS CLAIMS (8:12)

A. What Christ Claims For Himself (8:12a)

1. The Background Of This Claim Is The Universal "Darkness" Of Mind That Hangs Like A Cloud Over The Human Race (Isaiah 60:2; Psalm 107:10; Psalm 82:5)
2. The "Darkness" Of Which Scripture Speaks Contains A Two Fold Reality
 - a. Moral Darkness
 - b. Mental Darkness

B. What Christ Claims For His Followers (8:12b)

1. There Is No Longer A Need To Walk In This Darkness
2. They Now Have The Light Of Life

II. THE TRIVIAL OBJECTIONS TO CHRIST'S GLORIOUS CLAIMS (8:13-20)

A. The Pharisees Fasten On A Technicality: Personal Testimony Is Invalid In A Court Of Law (8:13)

1. Jesus Countered By Stating That His Testimony Is Valid (8:13)
2. Jesus Gave Two Reasons Why His Testimony Is Valid (8:14-18)
 - a. He Was Aware Of His Own Origin And Destination (8:14b-15)
 - b. He Was Supported By Additional Witnesses (8:16-17)

B. The Pharisees Demanded Proof Of Witnesses (8:19)