ARISE AND SHINE
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Isa 60:1-5 Arise, shine; for thy light is come, and the glory of the LORD is risen upon thee. For, behold, the darkness shall cover the earth, and gross darkness the people: but the LORD shall arise upon thee, and his glory shall be seen upon thee. And the Gentiles shall come to thy light, and kings to the brightness of thy rising. Lift up thine eyes round about, and see: all they gather themselves together, they come to thee: thy sons shall come from far, and thy daughters shall be nursed at thy side. Then thou shalt see, and flow together, and thine heart shall fear, and be enlarged; because the abundance of the sea shall be converted unto thee, the forces of the Gentiles shall come unto thee.

Did your parents ever come to your room when you were a child and open the door and say, “Arise and shine.” Mine did. I did to my kids. There comes a time whenever the night has vanished and the light is shining that we too are to get up, “Arise and shine.”

Not only are we to do that physically, but also spiritually.

2 Cor 4:6 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.

1 Peter 2:9 But ye are a chosen generation, a royal priesthood, an holy nation, a peculiar people; that ye should show forth the praises of him who hath called you out of darkness into his marvelous light:

Thank God we are no longer living in darkness. Yet there are millions around us who still are. We are told to arise and shine. We have a responsibility to share the Gospel, the good news of Jesus Christ.

Don’t curse the darkness. Illuminate the darkness. Be a light. Arise and shine