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The LORD is my light and my salvation... **-Psalm 27:1a**

-This Light is the Hope & Salvation of the Nations
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-This Light is announced in closing ceremony of Feast of Tabernacles
-A Festival remembering Israel's sojourn in the wilderness
-Every Israelite required to go to Jerusalem & stay in a booth
-Four 75 foot lamps in Court of Women represented Pillar of Fire
-Lamps were extinguished for the solemn assembly on the 8th day
-I am the Light of the World to lead you from wilderness to salvation

Illuminating the Path of Righteousness

-The Sun of Righteousness leads in paths of righteousness
-The one following me shall not walk in darkness
-OU ME! Greek Double Negative (Not a Fact...Not a Possibility)
-You can't walk in darkness when you are with the light
-A lamp to feet & light to path (Psalm 119:105)
-Not a function of performance, but rather faith in His presence
-Following closely to guard our steps through this dark world

-The one following has the light of life
⁶ If we say that we have fellowship with Him and yet walk in the darkness, we lie and do not practice the truth; ⁷ but if we walk in the Light as He Himself is in the Light, we have fellowship with one another, and the blood of Jesus His Son cleanses us from all sin.

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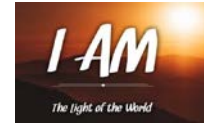
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⁴ In Him was life, and the life was the Light of men. ⁵ The Light shines in the darkness, and the darkness did not comprehend it. **-John 1:4-5**

¹⁹ This is the judgment, that the Light has come into the world, and men loved the darkness rather than the Light, for their deeds were evil. ²⁰ For everyone who does evil hates the Light, and does not come to the Light for fear that his deeds will be exposed. ²¹ But he who practices the truth comes to the Light, so that his deeds may be manifested as having been wrought in God."

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