

**Exchanging Your Darkness for His Light**  
Christmas Series 2020 - The Gift Exchange  
John 3:16-21

**Context** - Jesus was sharing the message of the Gospel to Nicodemus.

**To exchange your darkness for His light...**

**1. \_\_\_\_\_ on Him (vs. 16-18)**

- A. All who believe on Jesus will have eternal life, not be condemned, and will come into the light.
- B. All who do not believe on Jesus will be condemned and will remain in darkness.
- C. This is a fulfillment of a prophecy from Isaiah 9:2 (CSB) The people walking in darkness have seen a great light; a light has dawned on those living in the land of darkness.

**2. \_\_\_\_\_ from evil works (vs. 19-20)**

- A. Light is the revelation of what God is (see John 1:4). To reject the Light is to reject God.
- B. The love men have for darkness is a steadfast sort of love. It is a love to which they are completely devoted.
- C. When you come to Christ, your love for darkness and dark deeds changes into a strong desire to a devotion to Jesus and His works.

**3. \_\_\_\_\_ the true works of God (vs. 21)**

- A. John is in agreement with James 2:14-26, that faith without works is dead.
- B. The Christian does not do the works of God to become saved, but *because* he or she is saved. It is evidence of conversion.
- C. John the Baptist preached in Matthew 3:8 that we must bear fruit (do good works) in keeping with repentance. Has your conversion in Jesus produced the fruit of Godly works in your life?