# How do we navigate the darkness of the world around us?

### What do I do with the darkness that is within me?

### Who is Jesus?

## What difference does He make in my life today?

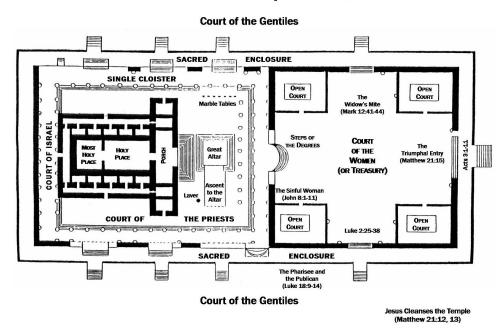
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#### LIGHT OF THE WORLD

## The Feast of Tabernacle [Sukkot]

### Interior of Herod's Temple at Jerusalem



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Jesus is not <u>ONE</u> among <u>MANY</u> lights of the world.

I am the light of the world.

Light <u>REVEALS</u> Ephesians 5:8-13

Illuminates & Exposes

Light GUIDES Psalm 119:105

Light brings LIFE John 1:1-5

Nothing good grows in the dark.

- Only Jesus can dispel the **DARKNESS** & **CHAOS** in your life.

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Living in **DARKNESS** vs. Walking in the **LIGHT** 

For you were once darkness, but now you are light in the Lord. Live as children of light (for the fruit of the light consists in all goodness, righteousness and truth) and find out what pleases the Lord. Have nothing to do with the fruitless deeds of darkness, but rather expose them. It is shameful even to mention what the disobedient do in secret. But everything exposed by the light becomes visible—and everything that is illuminated becomes a light. This is why it is said:

"Wake up, sleeper, rise from the dead, and Christ will shine on you."

Ephesians 5:8-14

- Jesus is the light that PREVAILS over the DARKNESS of the world.

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Light of <u>LIFE</u> vs. Shadow of <u>DEATH</u>

The people <u>walking</u> in <u>darkness</u> have seen a great light; on those living in the land of the shadow of death a light has dawned.

Isaiah 9:2

"You are the light of the world. A town built on a hill cannot be hidden. Neither do people light a lamp and put it under a bowl. Instead they put it on its stand, and it gives light to everyone in the house. In the same way, let your light shine before others, that they may see your good deeds and glorify your Father in heaven."

Matthew 5:14-16