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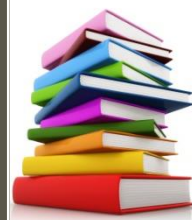
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# Today's Readers



Announcements >>>

## Lively Oracles Scholarships & Summer Competitions

Rehoboth Springs Canada Inc. **Bible Memorization** competition comes up this summer for grades 6-9 students. It will be a great opportunity for the participating Christian kids to learn God's word and retain them in their hearts. Not only that, those who performed well will smile away with fabulous cash and other fantastic prizes and certificates.



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## Adoniram Judson (2)

*God at work in the midsts of disappoining circumstances ...*

*There is no success without sacrifice. If you succeed without sacrifice it is because someone has suffered before you. If you sacrifice without success it is because someone will succeed after.* — **Adoniram Judson**

Like many youths today, Adoniram Judson was raised in a Christian home. However, his time at the university turned him into a skeptic and an unbeliever. But later, he was allowed to attend the Seminary, where he met with Christ.

He and his wife, Ann, left the United States for India at a very young age. The Judsons and their boat-mates, Samuel and Harriett Newel, became one of the first Americans to catch a vision for foreign missions to unreached peoples. But on arrival in India, they were faced with rejection — they were not permitted to stay. Instead, they were compelled to leave India by a specific date.

As providence would have it, the only boat they found leaving India before the set date was heading to Burma. That was how he and his wife ended up settling in Burma. They evangelized the people and translated the Bible into the Burmese language. Judson spent the rest of his life there.

The work that the Judsons accomplished for God in Burma proved that God was in control of their lives.

Even when it seemed Satan won the battle in their forceful ejection from India, God made all things work together for their good. Sometimes in life, God might permit certain

disappointing circumstances that would ultimately lead you to fulfill His good plans for your life. As Apostle Paul submitted: "The things which happened to me have actually turned out for the furtherance of the gospel" (Philippians 1:12).

**Adoniram Judson**

God may redirect your path into His perfect will for you by allowing you to miss an appointment, an opportunity, or an interview. Sometimes, disappointments could be God's device to order the steps of the righteous, provided you are living under His Lordship. What are you planning to do for God with your life? Is there something God has been trying to reveal to you through your present circumstance?

# Lght in the Darknenss

*In continuation of the series of articles on the believer's similitude, let us look at what the scriptures call the believer in Matthew 5:14.*

Beginning from Genesis, light is the antidote to darkness. So when Jesus came into the world, He also made it clear that He is the light.

*In Him was life, and the life was the light of men.*

*And the light shines in the darkness, and the darkness did not comprehend it*  
(John 1:3).

*Then Jesus spoke to them again, saying, "I am the light of the world. He who follows Me shall not walk in darkness, but have the light of life."*  
(John 8:12).

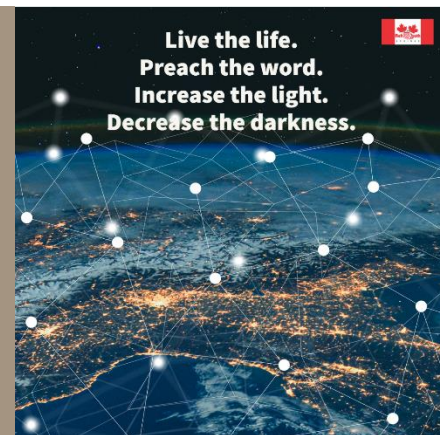
*I have come as a light into the world, that whoever believes in Me should not abide in darkness.* (John 12:46)

From the above scriptures, we understand that (1) There is darkness in the world (2) The life of Jesus is the only light that can give light to people in the world (3) Those who abide in Jesus will not walk in darkness.

So, when you accept Jesus into your heart, you accept the light to lighten the darkness around you. Since Jesus lives in Christians and not in physical church buildings, it is in that sense that believers become the light of the world.

But, it also implies that there will be more darkness (evils) worldwide if believers refuse to shine forth as the light. So, here comes the question, how can we shine as lights in this world? The answer is in our living. When someone who is not living right looks at your lifestyle and decide to change, you are a light to that person.

When you show a sinner the way out of sin, you serve as a light to them. Aren't you excited that you are part of God's agents for global transformation? If we live and act like Christ, we will glow like lights, and that is how to show others what Christ is like.



Unfortunately, believers hide or even quench their lights today in many ways by: being quiet when they should speak against evil; going along with the crowd; allowing sin into their lives; turning a blind eye to other's needs; denying to have the light, or refusing to show the lights to others.

Sin dims the believer's light. And refusal to repent quenches the light completely. Could this be the reason for the increased darkness in our world today? Do the needful. Make a difference.

## Christian Digest >>> SUCCESS TIPS FOR STUDENTS WRITING EXAMS

*These points does not replace the need to seek further assistance from Study Skill Tutors in your academic institution.*

### 1. Getting ready

- Get all the things you will need for the exams in advance, such as eraser, pencils, pens, calculator, etc.
- Except if you have reasons to do otherwise, it might helpful to sleep well the night before the exam and eat a nutritious breakfast.
- Try to arrive at the exam venue 10-15 minutes before start time.

### 2. At the venue

- Stay attentive, and avoid nervous classmates.
- Listen to verbal instructions carefully.

### 3. Before you start the exams

- Read the instructions very well; go over the entire exam to familiarize yourself with the types of questions, such as Multiple choice questions (MCQ), essays, etc.
- Jot down key information to remember. E.g., formulas, acronyms, etc.
- Allocate time to spend on each section. For example, if a 2 hour exam has 25 MCQ and 4 essays. You may want to allocate 30 minutes to the MCQ, and 15 minnutes each essay question, and 10-15 to review your answers.

### 4. During the exam

- Don't waste time on a question you find difficult to answer right away. You can mark it, move to the next question.
- After you have finished answering the questions you understand very wel, you can then return to the ones you find difficult earlier.

### 5. Before you submit

- Don't rush to submit. Use all the time you are given in an exam.
- Review your answers for any careless mistake or calculation error.

### 6. For TRUE/FALSE

- Read questions carefully. One word may determine whether the statement should be true or false.
- Note the role of qualifying words in the staement (e.g., *occasionally, rarely, all, few, always, never, cannot, etc.*).

### 7. For Open Book

- Organize notes, and other materials you will need for the exams.
- Highlight and bookmark the areas of iimportance.

### 8. For Essays

- Make a brief outline of your thoughts. Start with easiest. Use strongest points first, use examples to illustrate your points, and use bullet points if needed.

### 9. For MCQs

- Read question carefully, and cover your answers.
- Try answering each question in your head before loking at the choices.
- Make your choices using a systematic process of elimination.



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