

Something Greater

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Luke 11:29–32 (ESV)

²⁹ When the crowds were increasing, Jesus began to say, “**This generation is an evil generation. It seeks for a sign, but no sign will be given to it except the sign of Jonah.** ³⁰ For as Jonah became a sign to the people of Nineveh, so will the Son of Man be to this generation. ³¹ The queen of the South will rise up at the judgment with the men of this generation and condemn them, for she came from the ends of the earth to hear the wisdom of Solomon, and behold, **something greater** than Solomon is here. ³² The men of Nineveh will rise up at the judgment with this generation and condemn it, for they repented at the preaching of Jonah, and behold, **something greater** than Jonah is here

Looking for a sign but you do not need a sign, you
In any discussion, we have Something Greater!

Greater than anything in the OT; all religions; all knowledge!

John 3:16 (ESV)

something greater than the OT
For God so loved the world, that he gave his only Son, *is here.*
that whoever believes in him should not perish but have eternal life.

Jesus is the light by which we may see clearly.

Therefore since we have this light that reveals all things we do not hide it under a basket! Next verse!

Luke 11:33 (ESV)

No one after lighting a lamp puts it in a cellar or under a basket, **but on a stand**, so that those who enter may see the light.

We have Something Greater for all to see!

Luke 11:34 (ESV)

Your eye is the lamp of your body, (YOUR EYE GIVES LIGHT BASED ON WHAT YOU ARE LOOKING AT!)

When your eye is healthy (BASED ON WHAT YOU ARE LOOKING AT), your whole body is full of light!

When your eye is bad (BASED ON WHAT YOU ARE LOOKING AT), your body is full of darkness!

Jesus equates the eyes with the lamp. If one's eyes are good based on what they are looking at then one is full of light. (Eyes on Jesus!) The one inclined to hear and obey Jesus (=eyes are good) will be full of truth (=light). If one's moral disposition is to disregard Jesus (=eyes are bad), then one will be left in ignorance (=whole body is full of darkness).

“Good eyes” receive light; bad ones do not. The implication is that the individual is responsible for receiving light. (Eyes on Jesus!) The eye is thus a “lamp”, not in the sense that it gives light, but that through it the body receives light.

We have Something Greater therefore focus on it!

Luke 11:35 (ESV)

Therefore be careful lest the light in you be darkness. (BE CAREFUL WHAT YOU ARE LOOKING AT!)

We need to examine ourselves carefully, to make sure our eyes are on Jesus so that we are filled with light.

We have Something Greater to enable us and all others to see clearly!

Luke 11:36 (ESV)

If then your whole body is full of light (BASED ON WHAT YOU ARE LOOKING AT), having no part dark, **it will be wholly bright**, as when a lamp with its rays gives you light.

We see that full illumination only comes when one is willing to receive light from having their eyes fixed on Jesus; the lamp of God's truth. *Application. In all situations only Jesus gives clarity.*
PAUL in a similar way says we have Something Greater and should wake up and focus on the light of Jesus and let the light of Jesus shine on us!

Ephesians 5:13–14 (NIV Readers)

¹³But everything the light shines on can be seen.
¹⁴**Light makes everything clear.** That is why it is said,
“Wake up, sleeper.
Rise from the dead.
Then Christ will shine on you.”

Everything exposed by the light becomes visible.
“The power of light not only reveals, but penetrates and transforms into its own likeness whatever it illumines.” **The continuing emphasis is that darkness cannot exist in the presence of light.**

As wonderful as the light is, some love darkness and are repelled by the light! *Difficult to receive, but truth as seen by God.*

John 3:19–20 (ESV)

¹⁹ And this is the judgment: the light has come into the world, and people loved the darkness rather than the light because their works were evil. ²⁰ For everyone who does wicked things hates the light and does not come to the light, lest his works should be exposed.

However we are children of light and are drawn to Jesus who said, “I am Something Greater, I am the **LIGHT OF THE WORLD!**”

John 8:12 (ESV)

Jesus spoke to them, saying, “**I am the light of the world.** Whoever follows me will not walk in darkness, but will have the light of life.”

Our existence and eternal being is based on the Light of Jesus; The Something Greater!

John 3:16 (ESV)

For God so loved the world, that he gave his only Son, that whoever believes in him should not perish but have eternal life.

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