

December 17

Ephesians 5:13-14 (NRSV)

But everything exposed by the light becomes visible,¹⁴ for everything that becomes visible is light. Therefore it says, "Sleeper, awake! Rise from the dead, and Christ will shine on you."

OK, I have to admit it. In addition to the Bible study for Sunday School class (10AM each Sunday on ZOOM – you're invited!), I like to read spy thrillers. My most recent story includes spies that are passing government secrets through a special edition of a Harry Potter book. Only when a special light shined on the pages of the book were the secrets visible. The secrets could then be used for powerful things.

The "secrets" of God's Word aren't hard to discern. Of course, in the darkness of night, or when the dark aspects of the God-less world are present, there might be some difficulty understanding the "secrets." But, God's light reveals them clearly for us to know, and His message is no longer secret. Once known through His grace, we are empowered with the hope of everlasting life.

~ Greg Murphy