





The
Season *of the*
Light



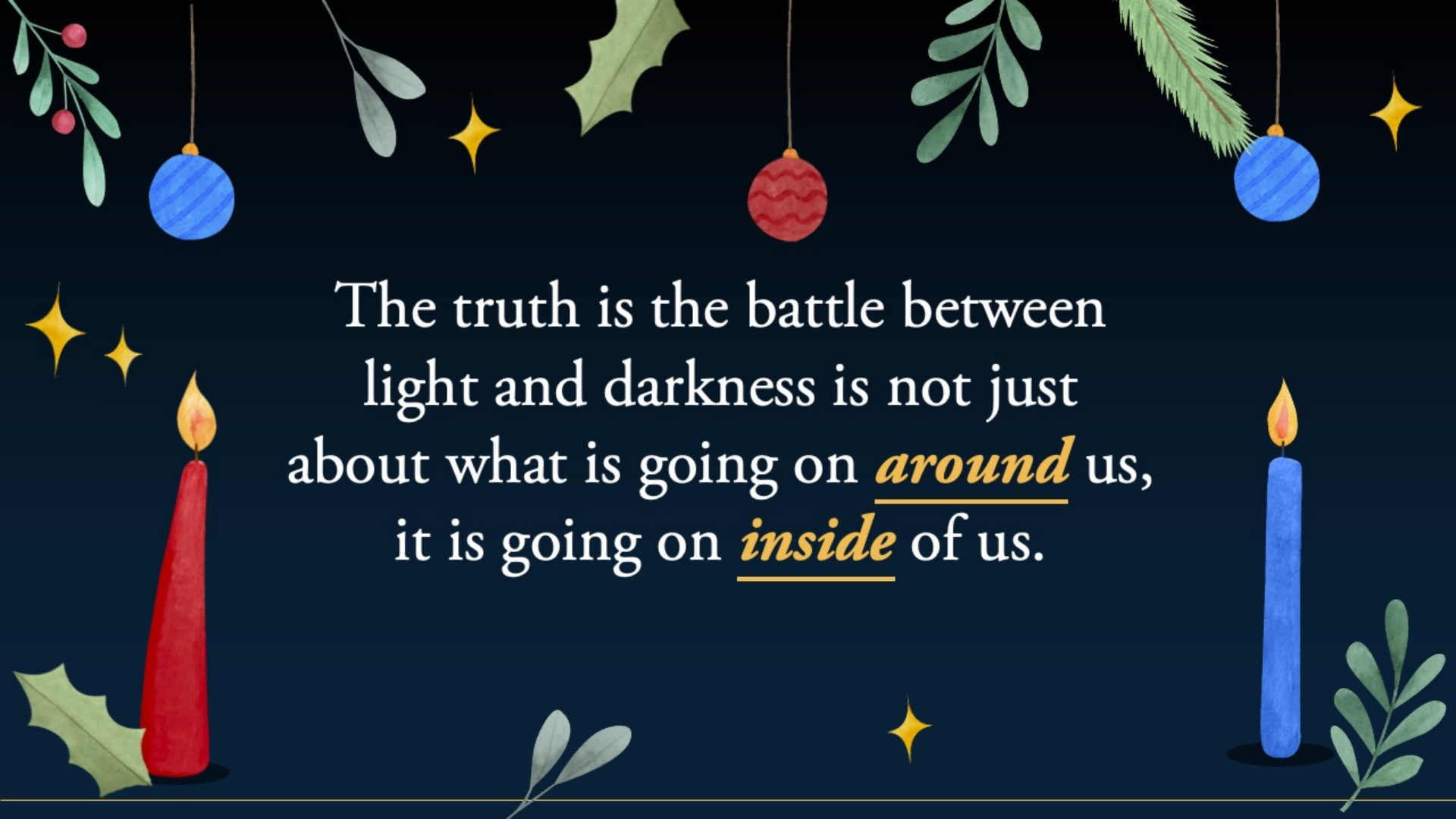
¹In the beginning God created the heavens and the earth. ²The earth was formless and empty, and darkness covered the deep waters. And the Spirit of God was hovering over the surface of the waters.

³Then God said, “Let there be light,” and there was light. ⁴And God saw that the light was good. Then he separated the light from the darkness.



Genesis

1:1-4 NLT



The truth is the battle between
light and darkness is not just
about what is going on around us,
it is going on inside of us.




John

1:1-5 NIV



¹In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. ²He was with God in the beginning. ³Through him all things were made; without him nothing was made that has been made. ⁴In him was life, and that life was the light of all mankind. ⁵The light shines in the darkness, and the darkness has not overcome it.





John

1:9-10 NIV

⁹The true light that gives light to everyone was coming into the world. ¹⁰He was in the world, and though the world was made through him, the world did not recognize him.

Jesus is the only light
that can fix our problem
with darkness.






John

3:1-4 NIV



¹Now there was a Pharisee, a man named Nicodemus who was a member of the Jewish ruling council. ²He came to Jesus at night and said, “Rabbi, we know that you are a teacher who has come from God. For no one could perform the signs you are doing if God were not with him.”





John

3:1-4 NIV

³Jesus replied, “Very truly I tell you, no one can see the kingdom of God unless they are born again.”

⁴“How can someone be born when they are old?” Nicodemus asked.




John

3:16-19 NIV



¹⁶For God so loved the world that he gave his one and only Son, that whoever believes in him shall not perish but have eternal life. ¹⁷For God did not send his Son into the world to condemn the world, but to save the world through him. ¹⁸Whoever believes in him is not condemned, but whoever does not believe stands





John

3:16-19 NIV

condemned already because they have not believed in the name of God's one and only Son. ¹⁹This is the verdict: Light has come into the world, but people loved darkness instead of light because their deeds were evil.



We all basically want the same things, but we don't want it the same way.






What should we do to
light up Christmas with
the Light of Christ?





WHAT SHOULD WE DO TO LIGHT UP
CHRISTMAS WITH THE LIGHT OF CHRIST?

We need to run to
The Light.





John
1:9 NIV

9The true light that gives light to everyone was coming into the world.



Artificial lights only
offer *artificial* fixes
to real problems.





John
12:35-36a
NLT

³⁵Jesus replied, “My light will shine for you just a little longer. Walk in the light while you can, so the darkness will not overtake you. Those who walk in the darkness cannot see where they are going.
³⁶Put your trust in the light while there is still time; then you will become children of the light.”



Where are you going
for your light source?





WHAT SHOULD WE DO TO LIGHT UP
CHRISTMAS WITH THE LIGHT OF CHRIST?

Run The *Light* to
the darkness.






Matthew

5:14-16 NLT



¹⁴“You are the light of the world—like a city on a hilltop that cannot be hidden. ¹⁵No one lights a lamp and then puts it under a basket. Instead, a lamp is placed on a stand, where it gives light to everyone in the house. ¹⁶In the same way, let your good deeds shine out for all to see, so that everyone will praise your heavenly Father.”



If you have The Light
of Jesus, then you have
a *responsibility* to take
The Light to people
that don't have it.

