

In the Bible, those who lead others toward righteousness are often compared to stars.

Daniel 12:3 (NKJV):

“Those who are wise shall shine like the brightness of the firmament, and those who turn many to righteousness like the stars forever and ever.”

The Apostle Paul also mentions that there is a difference in glory between stars, emphasizing the uniqueness of each one's brilliance.

1Corinthians 15:41 (NIV):

“The sun has one kind of glory, the moon another, and the stars another; and star differs from star in glory.”

Some stars shine brightly, while others are dimmer. Similarly, some appear larger than others, and some smaller. However, we know that Jesus Christ is the brightest and most glorious star. He is referred to as the *Morning Star* in the Bible, which stands out

among all the stars.

Revelation 22:16 (NKJV):

“I, Jesus, have sent My angel to testify to you these things in the churches. I am the Root and the Offspring of David, the Bright and Morning Star.”

Just like the morning star rises before the sun, signaling the coming of the light, Jesus shines as the ultimate source of truth and salvation. When the sun rises, other stars fade away, but Jesus—the Morning Star—remains forever.

However, the Bible also warns about *lost stars*. These are people or leaders who may appear to shine for a time, but ultimately fade into darkness.

Jude 1:12-13 (NKJV):

“These are spots in your love feasts, while they feast with you, without fear, serving only themselves. They are clouds without water, carried about by the winds; late autumn trees without fruit, twice dead, pulled up by the roots; raging

waves of the sea, foaming up their own shame; wandering stars for whom is reserved the blackness of darkness forever."

These *lost stars* are people who once appeared to be guiding lights but are ultimately unreliable and without direction. They lead others astray by serving only their own selfish desires, instead of guiding people to truth and righteousness.

In ancient times, stars that did not follow a specific, predictable path were called *wandering stars* or *lost stars*. Sailors could not depend on them for navigation because they did not follow a regular pattern. These stars would appear for a moment, and then disappear, never to be seen again. This mirrors the behavior of false teachers today. They may seem bright for a short time, but their light quickly fades, and they lead people nowhere.

2 Peter 2:1-3 (NIV):

"But there were also false prophets among the people, just as there will be false teachers among you. They will secretly introduce destructive heresies, even denying the sovereign Lord who bought them—bringing swift destruction on

themselves. Many will follow their depraved conduct and will bring the way of truth into disrepute. In their greed these teachers will exploit you with fabricated stories."

These *lost stars* are the false teachers who appear promising but lead people away from God's truth. They are not rooted in the gospel and bear no lasting fruit for God's kingdom. They might shine for a short time, but their influence is fleeting, and those who follow them are led astray.

Now, compare this to the fixed stars, such as the *Pleiades* and *Orion*, which are mentioned in Scripture. These constellations were well known in ancient times and remain constant in the sky, guiding people across the ages. These stars symbolize the enduring truth and guidance found in God's Word.

Amos 5:8 (NIV):

"He who made the Pleiades and Orion, who turns midnight into dawn and darkens day into night, who calls for the waters of the sea and pours them out over the face of the land—the Lord is His name."

Job 9:9 (NKJV):

“Who made the Bear, Orion, and the Pleiades, and the chambers of the south?”

These constellations symbolize God’s sovereignty over the heavens and His unchanging nature. Unlike the lost stars, these constellations follow a fixed pattern, just as God’s truth is unchanging and reliable.

In contrast to the *wandering stars*—the false teachers—true believers in Christ remain constant in their faith. True stars in God’s kingdom, like the fixed constellations, lead others to salvation, pointing them to Jesus Christ, who is the true light of the world.

Matthew 5:14-16 (NIV):

“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."

Just as the morning star (Jesus Christ) shines brightly to guide us, we are called to be lights in this world, shining brightly with the truth of the gospel. But we must be cautious of the *lost stars*, the false teachers who appear to shine but lead people into darkness.

Now, in this age of deception, where false teachers are rising, we must be vigilant. The way to eternal life is narrow, and it becomes even narrower as more people are misled.

Matthew 7:13-14 (NIV):

"Enter through the narrow gate. For wide is the gate and broad is the road that leads to destruction, and many enter through it. But small is the gate and narrow the road that leads to life, and only a few find it."

The time is now to carefully examine where we're being led. Many stars shine for a while, but only those who remain faithful to Christ's truth will endure. As the Bible warns, false teachers lead

many astray, but the true followers of Christ, like the fixed stars, will remain steadfast.

2 Peter 3:17-18 (NIV):

“Therefore, dear friends, since you have been forewarned, be on your guard so that you may not be carried away by the error of the lawless and fall from your secure position. But grow in the grace and knowledge of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ.”

There are many stars, but there are also many *lost stars*. As believers, we must ensure that we are following the true light—the one that lasts forever, Jesus Christ, the Morning Star.

Finally, the Bible also tells us that Israel will play a key role in the end times, and grace will shift toward them. This means the *Rapture* will soon take place, and if you do not have the Holy Spirit, you won’t be part of it.

Romans 11:25-27 (NIV):

“I do not want you to be ignorant of this mystery, brothers

and sisters, so that you may not be conceited: Israel has experienced a hardening in part until the full number of the Gentiles has come in, and in this way all Israel will be saved, as it is written: ‘The deliverer will come from Zion; he will turn godlessness away from Jacob.’”

What are you waiting for? Christ is calling you. He died for you. If you turn to Him, He will accept you and make you His own. Repent and be baptized in the name of Jesus Christ, and you will receive the forgiveness of your sins and the gift of the Holy Spirit.

Acts 2:38 (NIV):

“Peter replied, ‘Repent and be baptized, every one of you, in the name of Jesus Christ for the forgiveness of your sins. And you will receive the gift of the Holy Spirit.’”

Be greatly blessed.

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