



## ***NO DARKNESS CAN CONCEAL MY LIGHT FROM YOU!***

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**“Look up, My son, and you will find Me supporting you in times of need.**

**And when darkness surrounds you, I will become your source of Light.<sup>1</sup>**

**All the darkness of this world cannot conceal My Light from your eyes,**

**The more the world resists you, the more you will find in Me a sweetness and beauty that is startling!**

**In the multitude of anxieties, My divine comforts delight your soul.<sup>2</sup>**

**In the midst of difficulties, My strength grants you success.**

**In loneliness, I am your companion; no one can separate you from Me.**

**My son, hide yourself within Me<sup>3</sup>, and I will come into your depths.**

**Hold Me as your own, and I will have dominion over you.**

**“I am the Lord, your Almighty God; My power has no limits and love that I bestow on you.**

**The springs of My love do not dry up, and My wisdom constantly invites you: do acquire it.**

**“Rejoice, My son<sup>4</sup>!**

**Face the world with a happy face and a joyful heart.**

**Place your hand in Mine, for I am with you all along the path<sup>5</sup>.”**

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<sup>1</sup> You were once darkness, but now you are light in the Lord. Walk as children of light. (Eph 5:8)

For behold, the darkness shall cover the earth, and deep darkness the people; but the Lord will arise over you, and His glory will be seen upon you. (Isaiah 60:2)

<sup>2</sup> In the multitude of my anxieties within me, your comforts delight my soul. (Ps 94:19)

<sup>3</sup> For you died, and your life is hidden with Christ in God. (Col 3:3)

<sup>4</sup> That my joy may remain in you, and that your joy may be full (John 15:11)

<sup>5</sup> For you died, and your life is hidden with Christ in God. (Col 3:3)

For you shall not go out with haste, nor go by flight; for the Lord will go before you, and the God of Israel will be your rear guard. (Isaiah 52:12)