

**The Approaching Light**

John 1:1-18

Plane Spotting. \_\_\_\_\_  
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Progress of Revelation: A further and more comprehensive unveiling of  
\_\_\_\_\_ truth that was previously \_\_\_\_\_.

**THREE REASONS FOR HOPE IN 2010**

**1. God’s Light Keeps Getting \_\_\_\_\_.**

- (John 1:1 NIV) *In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God.*
- (John 1:9 NIV) *The true light that gives light to every man was coming into the world.*
- (John 1:14 NIV) *The Word became flesh and made his dwelling among us. We have seen his glory, the glory of the One and Only, who came from the Father, full of grace and truth.*

**2. God’s Light Keeps Getting \_\_\_\_\_.**

- (Heb 1:1-4 NIV) *In the past God spoke to our forefathers through the prophets at many times and in various ways, {2} but in these last days he has spoken to us by his Son, whom he appointed heir of all things, and through whom he made the universe. {3} The Son is the radiance of God’s glory and the exact representation of his being, sustaining all things by his powerful word. After he had provided purification for sins, he sat down at the right hand of the Majesty in heaven. {4} So he became as much superior to the angels as the name he has inherited is superior to theirs.*
- (John 1:14 NIV) *The Word became flesh and made his dwelling among us. We have seen his glory, the glory of the One and Only, who came from the Father, full of grace and truth.*

**3. God’s Light Keeps Getting \_\_\_\_\_.**

- (John 1:9 NIV) *The true light that gives light to every man was coming into the world.*
- (John 1:17 NIV) *For the law was given through Moses; grace and truth came through Jesus Christ.*

**Statistics About Light and Darkness in Modern America**

Compiled by Tom Clegg and Warren Bird (*Missing in America*, Group:2007)

Every day, people must decide what they’ll do with Jesus. In America, researchers have identified over 600 different religions.

**This very day, among some 300 million Americans...**

- The number of people identified as “nonreligious” or having “no religion” will grow by 10,337.
- The number of Mormons will grow by 1,787
- The number of Jews will grow by 1,063
- The number of Muslims will grow by 414
- The number of Buddhists will grow by 406
- The number of Hindus will grow by 288
- The number of Wicca followers (organized witchcraft) will grow by 115

**But this very same day as many as...**

- 5,969 Americans will begin to follow Jesus.
- 8 U.S. churches will close their doors forever.
- And 10 new churches will open somewhere in America.

The “Landing” is Coming. \_\_\_\_\_  
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- (Zec 14:4 NIV) *On that day his feet will stand on the Mount of Olives, east of Jerusalem, and the Mount of Olives will be split in two from east to west, forming a great valley, with half of the mountain moving north and half moving south.*
- (Zec 14:8-9 NIV) *On that day living water will flow out from Jerusalem, half to the eastern sea and half to the western sea, in summer and in winter. {9} The LORD will be king over the whole earth. On that day there will be one LORD, and his name the only name.*