

The Adopted Life

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Rise and Shine

“Arise, shine; for your light has come” (Isa 60.1). To see the light is to become luminous. To experience an epiphany is to become an epiphany for others. This is a big part of my image of what it means to be the Church. We have lifted up our eyes and begun to look around in the light of Christ (60.4), and therefore we see things in an utterly unique way.

This doesn't make us perfect; if anything, it makes our imperfections even more obvious. But it does force us to deal with reality at a depth otherwise unreachable, and this is our gift to the world. Or rather, it is the way in which Father has gifted the world with us. Our calling is to be shaped into a unique lens through which the world can see life, the universe, and everything. Our calling is to enable the world to see things worth seeing. We shall see and be radiant (60.5). And so shall they.

~ John Stonecypher