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“I expressed this belief while he was living and I write it again now that Lee Keyser is dead – his name should be inscribed in the Baseball Hall of Fame at Cooperstown, N. Y. For he saved minor league baseball.”

(From Sec Taylor's tribute to Lee Keyser in the *Des Moines Register*, April 27, 1950)











“When the hitters drove balls over the fences and to all parts of the field, when the infielders and outfielders caught grounders and flies with the same celerity and certainty they had in the daytime, and when the spectators who had been invited to witness the experiment could follow the ball, it was apparent that baseball could be played at night, and expertly, too.”

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# DEMONS WIN NIGHT GAME, 13-6

Baseball Realm to Use Lights, Is Now Forecast

OFFICIALS ALL  
PLEASED WITH  
NIGHT CONTEST

Baseball Under Lights Proves a Success Before 12,000 Fans



BLEACHERS  
STILL THE SAME

Under New in Lights, They  
Remain the Same

Like a Demon

HOW  
CLUBS  
STAND



BIG RALLY AT  
START ENOUGH  
TO TAKE THE

Red Sox, Yankees, Braves  
and Cardinals

St. Louis, Kansas City, Milwaukee

Philadelphia, Pittsburgh, Cincinnati

Chicago, Detroit, Cleveland, Baltimore

Washington, St. Paul, Minneapolis, New York

Los Angeles, San Francisco, Houston, San Diego

Portland, Seattle, Tacoma, Vancouver

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John 9:1-5 (ESV): “As he passed by, he saw a man blind from birth. 2 And his disciples asked him, ‘Rabbi, who sinned, this man or his parents, that he was born blind?’ 3 Jesus answered, ‘It was not that this man sinned, or his parents, but that the works of God might be displayed in him. 4 We must work the works of him who sent me while it is day; night is coming, when no one can work. 5 As long as I am in the world, I am the light of the world.’”

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John 8:12 (ESV): “Again Jesus spoke to them, saying, ‘I am the light of the world. Whoever follows me will not walk in darkness, but will have the light of life.’”

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Genesis 1:1-3 (ESV): “In the beginning, God created the heavens and the earth. 2 The earth was without form and void, and darkness was over the face of the deep. And the Spirit of God was hovering over the face of the waters. 3 And God said, ‘Let there be light,’ and there was light.”

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Revelation 22:5 (ESV): “And night will be no more. They will need no light of lamp or sun, for the Lord God will be their light, and they will reign forever and ever.”

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John 1:9-11 (ESV): “The true light, which gives light to everyone, was coming into the world. 10 He was in the world, and the world was made through him, yet the world did not know him. 11 He came to his own, and his own people did not receive him. 12 But to all who did receive him, who believed in his name, he gave the right to become children of God.”

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John 9:6-11 (ESV): “Having said these things, he spit on the ground and made mud with the saliva. Then he anointed the man’s eyes with the mud <sup>7</sup> and said to him, ‘Go, wash in the pool of Siloam’ (which means Sent). So he went and washed and came back seeing. <sup>8</sup> The neighbors and those who had seen him before as a beggar were saying, ‘Is this not the man who used to sit and beg?’ ...”

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9 Some said, 'It is he.' Others said, 'No, but he is like him.' He kept saying, 'I am the man.' 10 So they said to him, 'Then how were your eyes opened?' 11 He answered, 'The man called Jesus made mud and anointed my eyes and said to me, "Go to Siloam and wash." So I went and washed and received my sight.'"

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Matthew 20:32-34 (ESV): “Jesus called them and said, ‘What do you want me to do for you?’ 33 They said to him, ‘Lord, let our eyes be opened.’ 34 And Jesus in pity touched their eyes, and immediately they recovered their sight and followed him.”

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“To cure inflammation of the eyes, wash the eyes each morning with spit from your overnight fast.... To protect your eyes from developing eye diseases including inflammation of the eyes, do this and you will never again develop an eye disease. Each time you wash the dust off your feet, touch your eyes three times with the muddy water.”

(from Pliny the Elder's *Remedies from Living Creatures*, Book 28, Chapter 10)

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John 9:12-27 (ESV): “They said to him, ‘Where is he?’ He said, ‘I do not know.’ 13 They brought to the Pharisees the man who had formerly been blind. 14 Now it was a Sabbath day when Jesus made the mud and opened his eyes. 15 So the Pharisees again asked him how he had received his sight. And he said to them, ‘He put mud on my eyes, and I washed, and I see.’...”

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“...16 Some of the Pharisees said, ‘This man is not from God, for he does not keep the Sabbath.’ But others said, ‘How can a man who is a sinner do such signs?’ And there was a division among them. 17 So they said again to the blind man, ‘What do you say about him, since he has opened your eyes?’ He said, ‘He is a prophet.’...”

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“...18 The Jews did not believe that he had been blind and had received his sight, until they called the parents of the man who had received his sight 19 and asked them, ‘Is this your son, who you say was born blind? How then does he now see?’ 20 His parents answered, ‘We know that this is our son and that he was born blind....”

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“...21 But how he now sees we do not know, nor do we know who opened his eyes. Ask him; he is of age. He will speak for himself.’ 22 (His parents said these things because they feared the Jews, for the Jews had already agreed that if anyone should confess Jesus to be Christ, he was to be put out of the synagogue.)...”

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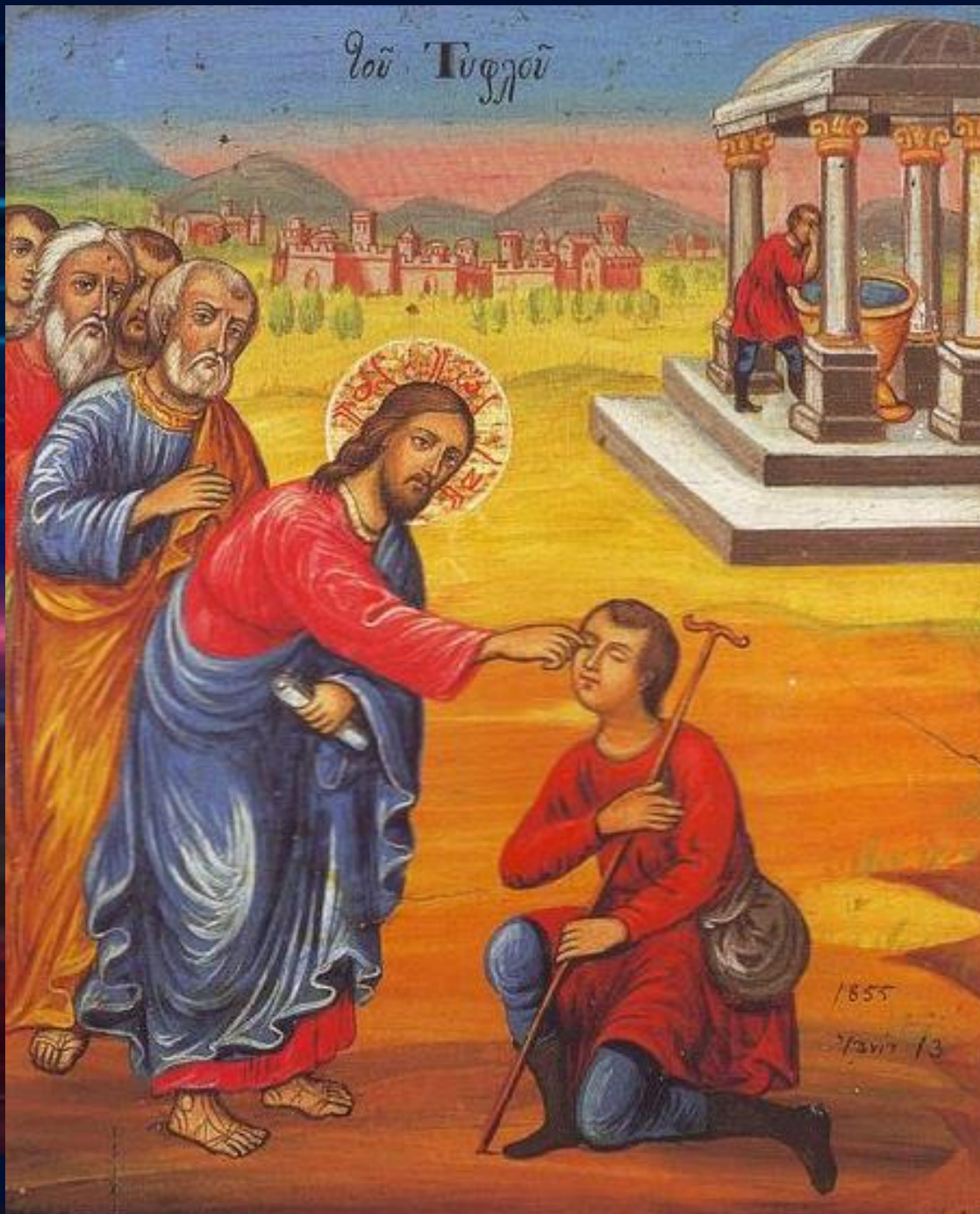
“...23 Therefore his parents said, ‘He is of age; ask him.’ 24 So for the second time they called the man who had been blind and said to him, ‘Give glory to God. We know that this man is a sinner.’ 25 He answered, ‘Whether he is a sinner I do not know. One thing I do know, that though I was blind, now I see.’...”

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“...26 They said to him, ‘What did he do to you? How did he open your eyes?’ 27 He answered them, ‘I have told you already, and you would not listen. Why do you want to hear it again? Do you also want to become his disciples?’”

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John 9:28-34 (ESV): “And they reviled him, saying, ‘You are his disciple, but we are disciples of Moses. 29 We know that God has spoken to Moses, but as for this man, we do not know where he comes from.’ 30 The man answered, ‘Why, this is an amazing thing! You do not know where he comes from, and yet he opened my eyes....’

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“...31 We know that God does not listen to sinners, but if anyone is a worshiper of God and does his will, God listens to him. 32 Never since the world began has it been heard that anyone opened the eyes of a man born blind. 33 If this man were not from God, he could do nothing.’ 34 They answered him, ‘You were born in utter sin, and would you teach us?’ And they cast him out.”

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John 9:35-38 (ESV): “Jesus heard that they had cast him out, and having found him he said, ‘Do you believe in the Son of Man?’ 36 He answered, ‘And who is he, sir, that I may believe in him?’ 37 Jesus said to him, ‘You have seen him, and it is he who is speaking to you.’ 38 He said, ‘Lord, I believe,’ and he worshiped him.”

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Daniel 7:13-14 (ESV): “I saw in the night visions,  
and behold, with the clouds of heaven there came  
one like a son of man, and he came to the Ancient  
of Days and was presented before him. 14 And to  
him was given dominion and glory and a kingdom,  
that all peoples, nations, and languages should  
serve him; his dominion is an everlasting dominion,  
which shall not pass away,  
and his kingdom one that  
shall not be destroyed.”

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THE LIGHT OF THE WORLD  
IS LESS  
LIKE A SWITCH  
AND MORE  
LIKE A DIMMER.

*MAIN POINT*

Hebrews 10:4-5 (ESV): “In the case of those who have once been enlightened, who have tasted the heavenly gift, and have shared in the Holy Spirit, 5 and have tasted the goodness of the word of God and the powers of the age to come.”

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John 9:39-41 (ESV): “Jesus said, ‘For judgment I came into this world, that those who do not see may see, and those who see may become blind.’ 40 Some of the Pharisees near him heard these things, and said to him, ‘Are we also blind?’ 41 Jesus said to them, ‘If you were blind, you would have no guilt; but now that you say, “We see,” your guilt remains.”’

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IT'S OK TO  
FIGHT WITH DOUBT;  
JUST DON'T LET THE  
LIGHT GO OUT.

*APPLICATION*



Hebrews 10:32 (ESV): “But recall the former days when, after you were enlightened, you endured a hard struggle with sufferings.”

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