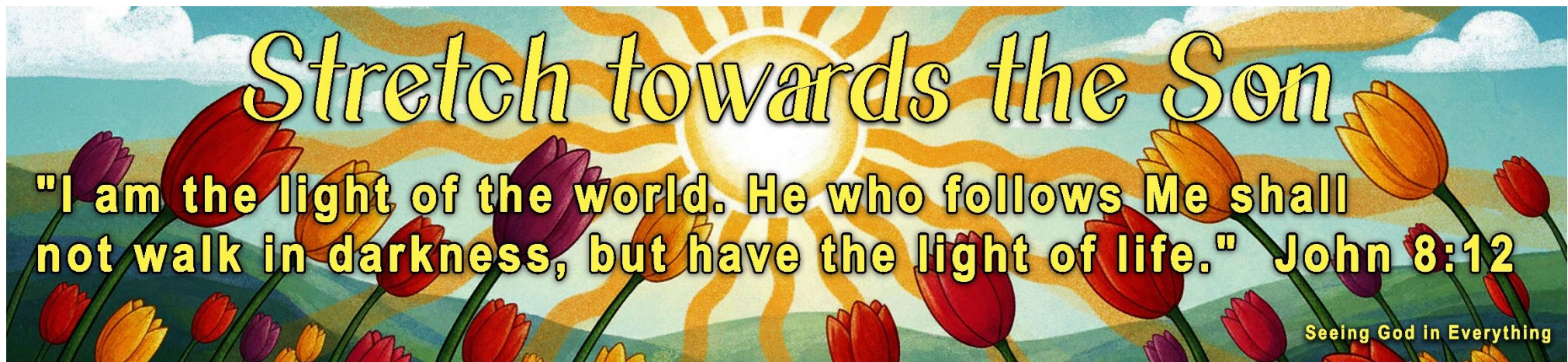




When I see tulips sprouting in late March and mid-May, it reminds me that spring is here and summer is near. Just like roses, tulips are among the world's most popular flowers. With their layered, cup-shaped petals, vibrant colors, and tall, sturdy stems, they are favorites in spring landscapes.

Years ago, tulips were among the first flowers I planted in my garden. They were easy to grow and returned every year, making them a good choice for a beginner. Each year, I notice tulips in new spots in my yard because the wind disperses their seeds, spreading their beauty.

Tulips symbolize beauty, resilience, hope, and renewal. One fact about tulips that inspires me most is that their stems stretch and bend toward the sun, actively seeking to maximize the light they receive.

Just as the stylish and radiant tulips turn toward the sun, we, as Christians uniquely planted by God as His divine creation, must turn toward the presence of His Son. Jesus is our ultimate source of light, helping us grow by illuminating our path to eternal life.

Jesus' light is essential because it gives us the resilience and hope to endure life's uncertainties and challenges. Stretching our hands in praise, worship, and surrender prepares us for each day. When we bend our knees in prayer, we can be confident that God works on our behalf. Leaning on Jesus, we receive guidance, wisdom, and protection. As we reflect Jesus' light by sharing His message, His beauty spreads as new believers sprout.

Each day, may we bask in the presence of Jesus as we stretch our hearts, souls, and minds toward His light.

Dear Father, thank You for Your Son, Jesus—the light of our lives.





Scriptures	Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
John 8:12		1 Praise Jesus for being the world's light.	2 Pray that we recognize we need Jesus' guiding light every day.	3 Pray that we realize we will not walk in spiritual darkness if we follow Jesus.	4 Praise Jesus for being our guiding light through life's uncertainties.	5 Pray that we embrace and remain focused on Jesus.	6 Give praise, following Jesus leads to growth and transformation.
Matthew 5:14-15	7 Pray that we reflect God's light through our words and actions.	8 Pray that we will profess our faith and hope in God to others.	9 Pray that we will stand firm in sharing God's truth.	10 Praise Jesus for equipping us to shine as lights in the world.	11 Pray that we will not hide the good news about God's word.	12 Pray that God will give us the courage to witness to others and not fear.	13 Pray that we will live obedient lives so we can be true reflections of Jesus.
Psalms 84:11 121:5	14 Praise God for being our source and our protector.	15 Praise God for His grace.	16 Pray that our lives will be a testament to God's grace and protection.	17 Pray that we never doubt God's provision.	18 Praise God for not withholding any good thing while we walk uprightly.	19 Praise God for shining His love and presence on us.	20 Praise God for shading us when situations feel scorching.
Psalms 119:105 119:130 Proverbs 4:18	21 Praise God for His word, which illuminates our paths.	22 Pray that we will use God's word daily as a portable lamp to guide our steps.	23 Pray that we realize that the more we study God's word, the more we will grow.	24 Give praise. God's word imparts understanding to all who seek Him.	25 Praise God for the Holy Spirit, who helps us gain knowledge of God's word.	26 Give praise. God's word enlightens our hearts, minds, and the future.	27 Pray that we will realize we will enjoy full illumination of God's light when we reach heaven.
Revelation 21:23 22:5	28 Give praise, one day we will no longer have to depend on earthly light sources.	29 Give praise, our light will be God's glory, and Jesus will be our lamp.	30 Give praise, we will enjoy uninterrupted light in the presence of the Lord.	<i>The flower that follows the sun does so even on cloudy days.</i> Robert Leighton			