

# Shadows Fade in the Light

Many times, you have felt the past like shadows of death shrouding you as a curtain that divides you from your real life. I have come to understand that these shadows are optical illusions since they aren't real anywhere else. No one really sees your shadows—only the outward fruits of depression, anxieties, fears, and failure to move forward. Furthermore, each person has their own shadows to overcome, so they cannot see yours—but thankfully God sees and helps us all!

Those mind shadows of your past situations have peaks like boulders or cave-like walls that stand high and become graveyards of things which are very realistic in your heart, mind, and soul. Within you, those situations are actually still living, like a person trapped in a graveyard trying to survive. Whether it was by your own poor choices or by those you trusted, you may feel hopeless to get beyond those shadows. And since shadows can only be seen, or stood in, when an obstacle stands between you and the source of light—it often feels more real than the light. So, your daily reminders of past situations that are still living in your mind are the actual cause of your own shadows.

But Jesus came to redeem you from those shadows of death. Did you know that you can be free from those shadows that loom like the darkness in a graveyard? You can! In Psalm 107:10-14 David talks about how they were in the shadow of death and imprisoned in mind afflictions because of their past, but after they cried out in repentance to God, the shadow of death burst, and their bonds fell apart. It was for you that Jesus died, and He does not desire for you to remain in bondage to the shadow of death when He has already paid the price for your freedom and for a real life.

So, you may be wondering, "How do I get free from my past sorrows, regrets, fears, situations, choices, and more?" the answer is, a daily walk with Jesus Christ; a daily communing with Him. Sometimes, Jesus may give you instantaneous victories, but mostly He must transform your mind to be an overcomer. This is why Philippians 2:5 says, "Let this mind be in you that was in Christ Jesus." As you get closer to Jesus the shadows naturally fade away because there is no shadow in Him. His body of glory shines greater than a star, so when you get close to Him, with no obstacles between the two of you, the shadow of death naturally dissipates.

Furthermore, Jesus said that He is the Light and the Life. So, when you close the distance between you and Him, not only do the shadows fade into a glorious array of Light, but you also get to experience the Life that you were intended to live. You will be able to move on because you are set free from the graveyard of the shadow of death. At that point, the only shadow you will experience is being under the shadow of His wings which is under the glory and life of a new life in Christ Jesus!

Dear Jesus,

I thank you that you have already sent the commands of dissipating the shadows of death so that they may experience you in all you glory, your light, and your life! You have already invited them to come for a walk with you and to know you. I pray that every shadow of death and darkness in their life is overcome by the shadow of the wings of the Almighty God. May they sense the freedom and the power to move out of the graveyard into the castle of the Almighty God's presence!

I declare...No more darkness, No more chains, No more sadness, regrets, or pains of the past. They are forever yours and you have come to make their hearts your home. For whom you have set free is free indeed! I feel their shadows fading into the glorious light of your presence! Yes, and Amen!

In him was life, and the life was the light of men. The light shines in the darkness, and the darkness has not overcome it. (John 1:4-5 ESV)

To give light to those who sit in darkness and in the shadow of death, to guide our feet into the way of peace." (Luke 1:79 ESV)

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