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# Chanukah: Follow the Tzaddik; Ignite the Light!

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## Chanukah: Eight days of Miracles Designed to Bring Mashiach



If we truly want to bring Moshiach consciousness to the world there is really only one way to do it, by emulating a tzaddik in our actions and thoughts. I have been blessed with being close with two of them, both of blessed memory. They both had one overriding attribute that we all need to emulate. They both did everything with selfless, caring love and with a noble purpose. They showed us that we must inject caring love into our actions and do them with the singular purpose of bringing Moshiach. It is not only the way; it is *the* only way. When we are doing something out of pure love it will be one with the Light Force and thus whatever the outcome, it will be the right outcome. However, that is not enough. We also have to inject intent and purpose in order to direct that Light. We can scatter the Light or focus it, but the only way to achieve anything in this world or the next, is to focus it. The Torah and the tzaddikim before us have provided us with numerous tools to enable us to harness and focus that Light and they had a singular purpose — “to bring Moshiach consciousness to our world.” We have a huge opportunity these 8 days of Chanukah to join them and actively draw down the Light of Moshiach. The following connections and revelations have been provided by them to empower us in that endeavor.

Everything about this special period of time from the Torah portions to the dreidel and jelly donuts is designed around the singular purpose of bringing Moshiach. We need to make a crucial choice now. We can either focus our intent and open our hearts, or attend parties and exchange gifts. And yes, we can do both, but the light will go where we FOCUS it.

### The Torah

Each Torah portion and each holy day is a unique cosmic window. The cosmic window at this

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time of year contains the 4 portions (Vayeshev, Vayigash, Miketz and Vayechi) of Joseph, and within



the timing of these 4 portions are the 8 days of the light of Moshiach called Chanukah, whose numerical value is **89**, just like the complete value of the initials of the 4 portions, also **89**. So it should come as no surprise that, as Daniel, one of the treasured contributors of our blog points out, all four names of the portions connect to the numerical value of Moshiach, **358**.

The standard gematria value together with their ordinal number of the 2 portions Vayeshev and Vayigash is  $2 \times 358$ ; while the gematria sofit of Miketz and Vayechi is  $3 \times 358$ , for a total of  $5 \times 358$  hidden in these four Torah Portions.

### The Dreidel



Even the simple child's dreidel serves to focus our attention on Moshiach. It has four sides corresponding to the Tetragrammaton (????) and engraved with the Hebrew Letters **G/?**, **H/?**, **N**, and **Sh/?** (????). The Four (4) letters have a numerical value of **358**, that of *Mashiach*, the Messiah.

From the games we play to candles we light, the entire Chanukah event is designed to help us bring *Moshiach*. And that is where our consciousness needs to be. The eight days are a cosmic event, not a celebration of a miracle that once happened; the miracle happened because it occurred during this cosmic event. The lights we ignite each night connects us to the special Light of miracles available to us once a year for **8** days starting every 25th of *Kislev* (Sagittarius). It is a different light/energy than what is available to us in the **8** days of *Sukkot-Shemini Atzeret*; and it is different from the light available to us during the **8** days of *Pesach* (Passover); and it is different from the energy available to us on the **8** other holy days throughout the year. In total there are **32** days of varying special Light/energy (besides the

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special light of Shabbat). These **32** days connects to the **32** Paths of Wisdom of the Tree-of-Life, through which these various lights shine unto us.

The oil lasted **8** days because the Light of Chanukah, *Mashiach Light*, lasted **8** days, not the other way around. As soon as the special Light of *Moshiach (Ohr HaGanuz)* was revealed into our



existence, it was hidden. I learned from the Rav that on the first Shabbat of Creation, it was brought out for **32** hours then hidden away for the time of the Messiah, but for **8** days every year we can get a taste of the Light.

This is why the 4 letters of *Mashiach* (????) spell out **Madlikim Shmona Yemei Chanukah** (“lighting up eight days of Chanukah”).

## ***History***

The books of the Maccabees date the first war as **3585** HC, which coincides with the numerical value of *Moshiach*, which is **358**. The fight was for liberation, and so is ours today, liberating ourselves from the clutches of physicality. This war was fought and won by a small band men and the Light Force of G-d against overwhelming odds and numbers, not so dissimilar from the schematic once again taking shape today. A cosmic window opened back then and another is opening now.

## **Chanukah Meditations**

### **How to Count the 8 Days**



One of the key elements of Chanukah is based on the spiritual tenet that nothing can ever be lost. Once it goes from a latent (potential) state to an actual physical state, it is forever present in the universe, whether we can physically see it or not. So the light of the first night, is added to the second light and so forth until the 8th day when we have the light of  $1+2+3+4+5+6+7+8 = 36$  days of light.

That explained, we can note that the sum of all the Torah occurrences of the words “first” through “eighth”— *rishon, sheni, shlishi, rev'i, chamishi, shishi, sheviyi, and shemini*—is ( $189+125+2+2+2+2+0+0$ ) = **322**. Since the sum of days (numbers) 1-8, representing the summation of the Chanukah lights for the 8 days is **36**, we can express the 8 days by the energetic equation  $(322 + 36) = 358$ , the value of *Moshiach* yet again. Further, while **36** can be viewed as a rounding off the numerical term **35.8** to **36**, to the kabbalists **36** represents the *Lamed-Vav* (??) *tzaddikim*, or **36** righteous souls necessary at all times to maintain our existence in the universe. By emulating them, we are joining them, and by joining them we are indeed, drawing down the light of *Moshiach* into the world.

## The 44 Candles Sweeten the Judgment

### How to count the candles

On a simple level, over the 8 nights, we are lighting 44 candles in total, including the *shamesh* (servant candle) every night. These 44 candles correspond to the ordinal value of the 5 letters in *Chanukah* (?????) which is 44. It also corresponds to the initials of all 10 plagues, which also add up to 44. The power to create miracles is built into every aspect of these 8 days. Moreover, the first plague was blood, *dam*, also of numerical value 44, and as the Arizal explains "the word "*m'damei*", whose numerical value (89) equals that of the word "*Chanukah*," is rooted in the letters Dalet (?) and Mem (?), which spell the Hebrew word for "blood." He further advised that blood represents the negative powers of judgment and our mission it is to sweeten that judgement through the lighting of the 44 candles. They nullify the *kelipot* before us. As the Arizal further explains the 44 candles connect first and foremost to the regressive spelling of the higher name of G-d, *Ehyeh* (????), whose numerical value is 44, thus connecting us to *Chochma* and *Binah*;

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## Counting Candles

If our actions of lighting the *chanukiya* each night rekindle the energy from the night before and culminate in completeness on *Zot Chanukah* (the final night), then: on the first night we light **1**



candle and it stays lit metaphysically for (at least) **8** days; and on the second night we light 2 candles that stay lit, giving us a second day total of **3** lit (rekindled) candles. On the third night we are lighting, (rekindling)  $1 + 2 + 3$ , or a total of 6 candles; and so on, until we have an 8 day progression of  $1 + 3 + 6 + 10 + 15 + 21 + 28 + 36 = 120$  candles, a familiar mathematical progression that seems to be oft used in the deeper meditations and connections of the Torah, and that we first learned about from Abraham, the Patriarch in his book *Sefer Yetzirah, The Book of Formation*.

Well, considering this, it is noteworthy that if we assume that all our candles or oil last metaphysically for **8** days, just as they did physically for the Maccabees, then in total we are lighting **120** lights. This correspond to both the **120** permutations of the Name *Elohim* and to the **120** years of Moses, whose soul is part and parcel with that of *Moshiach* in every generation.

In the same way, the *Shamash* candle lights would total  $1 + 2 + 3 + 4 + 5 + 6 + 7 + 8 = 36$  lights and through the *Shamash* we are connecting to the 36 *tzaddikim* that sustain our word each time we light it, meaning that if our consciousness is there, they will be there for us as well. They are the helpers lighting the Chanukah lights for us. Nonetheless,  $120 + 36$  or **156** candles would be metaphysically lit. This connection to **156** or  $6 \times 26$  (the numerical value of the Tetragrammaton (????) is very important to the Chanukah meditations the Arizal will guide us through below as they will involve connecting to these **6** Tetragrammaton (????) each day. Moreover, the Arizal explains that **156** is twice **78**, the numerical value of *mazal* (fortune), an integral part of the lighting meditations as will be explained below.

The *Arizal* further explains that the eight days of Chanukah are, or end up, at the level of *hod*, the same as a *brit milah* whose **8** days expire at *hod* before the *brit* can be performed at the level of *yesod*. When we add the **36** lights for the **8** *Shamash* (servant candles) to the **120** of Moses illustrated above, our 8 day total is **156 lights**. This is the numerical value for Yosef, who represents the level of *Yesod*. We can now more fully understand why Chanukah occurs during the 4 portions of Joseph, who was born in 2198 HC, exactly **3580** years before the year **5778**, when *Moshiach* (numerical value **358**) is supposed to be manifest in our world.

## The Blessings

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## The Ignition to all the Blessings



When we start the blessing with the word **Baruch**, we need to keep in mind that it has the numerical *sofit value* of **708**, which is the same as that of the **42** letters of the upper 42-Letter Name (??), which is in actuality the ineffable Name of G-d (????) with its letters spelled out through **three** iterations. This is no coincidence, as it is from this Name that the blessings flow downward through the 6 levels (dimensions) of *Zeir Anpin* and into our world.

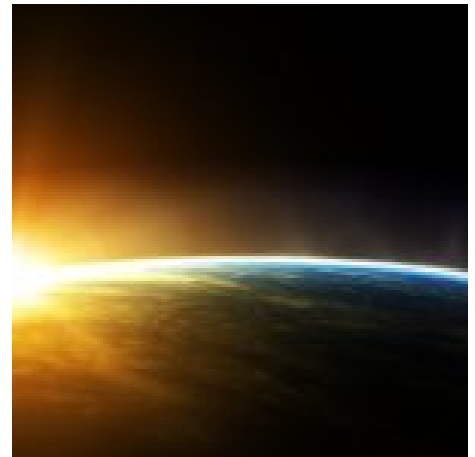
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### ***L'hadleek Ner Chanukah***

Regarding the Chanukah blessings on the words **L'hadleek Ner Chanukah** and the *kavanot* that we've learned from the Arizal, the **3** first letters **Lamed** (?), **Nun** (?) and **Chet** (?), spell out in small



gematria, **3, 5, 8** or **358**, *Mashiach*.

The Arizal explains that initials in **L'hadleek Ner Chanukah** (to light the Chanukah candle) spell the word **Nachal** (???), a holy Name that means "stream or river," and also "inheritance," and it has a numerical value of **88**, which when aided by a *kolel* of 1 equals **89**, the value of Chanukah itself.

Nevertheless, the concept of a *stream* is very important because by lighting the candles with the right consciousness we are opening a stream of light (the energy of sustenance or *shefa*) from above into our lives and into the world. The inheritance is the Messiah (the *Moshiach*).





As further explained by the Arizal, the secret of the **3** letters **N, CH, L** and **Nachal** (???) comes from the **3** words that comprise the **8th** and **9th** of the **13** Attributes of G-d :

“**Notzer Chesed L’alefim.**” He goes on to explain that the **8th** *sefira* (level) or *Binah* (*Imma* /Understanding) is where we are drawing this upper light from. Moreover, a key secret here is that once the **8th** level is tapped into, all **3** upper levels (*Binah, Chochma* and *Keter*) are at once activated and made available to us. A river of divine light and blessing can flow into our world if we attune ourselves to it during the blessing and candle lighting.

As we put ourselves into a state of **unconditional love** and stay focused on the endgame of bringing Moshiach, the **first mediation** we need to do is either envision or think about opening up the flowing river of light *Nachal* (???) from the upper reservoir of *Binah*, and its higher sources *Chochma* and *Keter*. The light descends through *Binah* into *Zeir Anpin* (the heavenly ladder that connects our world to *Binah* (the upper world)). Here is where the very specific Names of G-d come in. We want to focus on them, instead of trying to picture dimensions for which we have no visual reference point. Fortunately the Arizal tells us exactly which combination of the Name to use. For example *Zeir Anpin* is represented by the aspect of the spelled-out Tetragrammaton (?????????? ???) called (*Mah*) of numerical value **45**.

**...This is very important...**

We are further told that the proper with for us to combine *Zeir Anpin* with *Binah* in this instance is by combining the letter *alef* (E/? ) in the center of the spelled-out letter *Vav* (???) of the Tetragrammaton (?????????? ???) called (*Mah*) of numerical value **45** to the regressively spelled Name *Ehyeh* (?? ?? ? ??? ?????) associated with *Binah* and of numerical value of **44**. Together they combine in the energetic equation **45 + 44 = 89**, giving us once again the value of Chanukah (?????).

Please note that it is the Names that are important; the numbers just help us to understand a little of what is going on energetically in the spiritual framework.

It is very important that we grasp this unification because as Rabbi Chaim Vital of blessed memory explains it, through this very union of the Tetragrammaton (????) of numerical value **26**

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and the regressive Name *Ehyeh* (?? ?? ? ??? ?????) that the (26 +44) or 70 Ministers of the 70 Nations are governed.

The Zohar tells us that at the end of the 70 years from the formation of Israel in 5708, all the Ministers (leaders) of those 70 nations will be replaced with Israel's enemies, just as we see being played out around the world. This is why it is more crucial than ever that we become proper channels for the life force of G-d, and through the proper lighting of the 44 candles, we have the power to do just that.

(?? ?? ? ??? ?????) and (????)

$$26 + 44 = 70$$

The Light of Binah unites with the Light of Zeir Anpin fuels all 70 Nations

(?? ?? ? ??? ?????) and (???????????? ????)

$$45 + 44 = 89$$

The Light of Binah unites with the expanded Light of Zeir Anpin and forms Chanukah

(Shefa flowing from Binah into Zeir Anpin)

... להדליק נר חנוכה

יוד הנה ואה אה אהיה הנה

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### The Second Meditation:

Partially because the value of the word *L'hadleek* plus the *kolel* (1) = (179 +1) = 180, the Arizal tells us at this point in the blessing to meditate on the 3 upper aspects of the Tetragrammaton (*Av, Sag, Mah*), which together total (72+63+45) = 180.

**Av (??????-??????) or 72**

**Sag (??????-??????) or 63**

**Mah (??????-??????) or 45**



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**= 180**

Any number times **10** indicates that number spreading throughout the **10 sefirot** of the tree-of-life. In this case, it is **18** (*Chai*, life), and as Rabbi Chaim Vital of blessed memory explains “All



Torah Light is spread by squaring,” so we see within the square root of **18: 4.2426**. This is most significant because **424** is the value for “*Mashiach Ben David*” and **26** is the value of the Tetragrammaton (????).

Now, specific to the Chanukah blessing is that the spelled-out (*gematria milui*) value of the letters **Nun** (???) and that of the **Lamed** (???) of *L’hadleek Ner* is also **180**, thus giving us yet another connection to “*Mashiach Ben David* and the tree-of-life.”

From the **18** words of the 13 Attributes, the phrase “*Notzer Chesed L’alefim*” means “He preserves kindness for **2000** years” which is a hint that our time of exile for the past **2000** years is coming to a close, and if we add the **18** to it, we get **2018 CE (5778 HC)**, the year the [tzaddikim have prophesied for the coming of the messiah and the final redemption \(geula\)](#). It is also the year (**2018 HC**) that G-d made His Covenant with Abraham, our inheritance ( **Nachal, ???**).

Indeed, the word candle, *Ner*, (??) has a numerical value of **250** and thus the **8** candles have a collective value of **250 x 8 = 2000**.

And when we add the **180** of *Av, Sag, Mah* to the **180** of *L’hadleek Ner* plus the *kolel* of **3** for the **3** aspects of the Tetragrammaton (????), we get **180 + 180 + 3 = 363**, the numerical value of *H’Mashiach*, which is what we should be mediating on when we recite *L’hadleek Ner*:

**(??????-??????) (??????-??????)(??????-??????) and  
H’Mashiach.**

**(Receiving H’Mashiach)**

**L’Hadleek**

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... להדליק נר זנוכה

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[נוצר זוסד לאלפים]

## Ner

Regarding **Ner**, the Arizal tells us to combine the Names *Ehyeh*, *Elohim*, and *Adonai* with *YHVH* on the **3** different levels (*Av*, *Sag*, and *Mah*) to draw down the light properly from *Binah* to *Malchut*:

(????-????-????)

Now the total numerical value of the **3** Names (????-????-????) is 172, and when we add 1 for the *kolel*, it is **173**, as in the small gematria numerical value for the **42**-letter Name.

The Ari further explains that at the word **Ner** in the blessing we should concentrate on combining the 3 Names (????-????-????) with the **3** simple (????)'s. These 3 (????)'s add up to  $26 + 26 + 26 = 78$ , the gematria of *Mazla*, aramaic for *mazal*, fortune, which we want to draw into our lives when lighting the Chanukah candles. This process mimics the flow of the *shefa*, (life-giving light) that emanates from the 3 Tetragrammatons (????) and flows from the Holy of Holies through the Gate of **42** into the Holy Temple and then our world.

Now the main point of the Arizal was that the **6** Names paired up together so that their energy complements and facilitates the transformation of the light (????-????, ?????-????, ?????-????). They add up to **250**, the value of *Ner*, candle, but if we add **6** as the *kolel*, we get **256**, which is the value for both *H'Aron* (Ark of the Covenant) and for Aaron who lit the Menorah as a channel for us all.

## Ner



So when we recite **Ner**, we want to meditate on the 42-Letter name (the *Ana B'koach*), receiving *mazal*, letting Aaron, the high priest and the only person in the Torah assigned the title *Mashiach*, be our channel to light the Menorah in our lives and world. Take your

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time and connect with the consciousness and with the unified Names. Become the Rav, focus with your heart and a singular purpose. You are drawing down the Light-force of G-d; there is no need to rush through it. The more you take your time and focus the more Light will be revealed.

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together with the 6 Names merging (unified) together as follows.

????–???? (Chochma – Ehyeh)

?????–???? (Binah – Elohim)

????–???? (Malchut – Adonai)

We draw the light of blessing down from Chochma to Binah to our world, Malchut. As the light of our candles ascend, the Light from Heaven retraces it back down to us



and our world, exploding like a bolt of lightning, which incidentally is exactly how lightning works — the earth takes the first action.

Now for the full understanding, we take the 3 Names *Ehyeh*, *Elohim* and *Adonai* plus the 3 Names *Av*, *Sag*, *Mah* from the *L'hadleek Ner kavanot* and numerically add them (172 + 180) + 6 (*kolel for the 6 Names*) and get 358, *Mashiach*.

So completing the recitation of *Baruch* though *Ner*, we want to have in mind drawing down the light from the Upper 42-Letter Name to the Lower 42-Letter Name though the 3 (????)'s and into the 3 Names (????-????-????) and thus igniting the spark of *Moshiach* consciousness in all of us and spreading it throughout the 70 nations.

## The Candle

The candle we're lighting is the light of the Torah itself as evidenced by the spelled out, *gematria milui* of the letters *Nun-Resh*) of *Ner* (?? /candle): (???-???) equals (106 + 510) = 616, which is the numerical value of *H'Torah*, which helps explain Proverb 6:23:

**“A mitzvah is a candle, and the Torah is light.”**

## The Shamash



The *Shamash*, or 9th candle is much more than a simple “helper” candle. The 9th *sefira* is that of *Chochma*, Wisdom. and the unification from above that is associated with the 9th *sefira* is (

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????) x (????) or in numerical terms  $26 \times 21 = 546$ , which is the sum of the initials of all **10 sefirot**, a clue that this unification helps us draw the energy down through all **10 sefirot** (dimensions).

The value **546** is also the total value of the Names of the **3 Patriarchs** whose names began with the letter *Yud* (?), which connects them to *Chochma* (wisdom), the **9th sefira**: Isaac (208), Jacob (182), and Joseph (156). It is likewise a connection to Israel, which has a value of **546** when the *kolel* for the 5 letters is included, and whose name is found **546** times in the Torah.

**So as we light the Shamesh we should meditate to draw down the light through the 10 sefirot and to put joy in our hearts.**

## The 25th of Kislev



Yet another connection between the *kavanot* and the words of the blessing is found between the **25** letters of the union of the **6** Names and the value of *Ner*, **250**, since  $250/10 = 25$ , but most important these would be the **25** letters that the *Zohar* says is missing for the completion of the *Mishkan* and the **25** words that we know are missing from the completion of the Torah, which is **exactly (80,000 – 25 words)**. It is also a connection between the **25** letters of the *Sh'ma Israel* phrase and the **25<sup>th</sup>** of *Kislev*, as explained by the *Zohar*.

The next obvious further connection is between the **80,000** words and the **8** lights and nights of Chanukah, since the **4<sup>th</sup>** root of the sum of all the words, letters, and verses of the Torah = **25 exactly**. There are also **25** letters in *lamed-vav* (36) *milui*.

## The Oil

The word for eight (**8**) in Hebrew is *shemonah*, and a simple permutation of the letters in *shemonah* (????) gives us *hashemen*. “the oil” (????), and also *neshama* (soul, ????), all of which have the



numerical value of **395**, that of the **5th** word in the Torah, *H'Shama'im* (the Heavens).

And when we spell out the **Shin-Mem-Nun** (???-??-???) root letters of the **Oil** they add up to **546**, so we must keep in mind (Proverbs **27:9**): “Oil and incense rejoice the heart,” and be

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joyful as we light the oil for that joy will spread through the **10 sefirot** and be contagious throughout the world.

**Proverbs 27:9 “Oil and incense rejoice the heart”**

## The 8 Nights of Lights



For every candle we light below, one is lit above. So for all the **156** metaphysical candles we light below plus **1** collective one (the *kolel*), another **157** are lit above, making **314** in total, and **314** is the numerical value of the Name of G-d *Shadai* (???) and also of Metatron. As for the **156** candles, it is the numerical value of Zion and as we said previously, Joseph, who represents *Yesod of Malchut*, where the light of *Binah* ends up on the **8th** day. It is also the point where all the divine sustenance funnels into our lives and our world. Incidentally, **Zion**, of numerical value **156**, is found **107** times in Tanakh and the sum of all the integers from 1 to **107** is **5778**.

Moreover, if we consider all the cumulative lit Chanukah lights as a multiple of **8** days: **1 x 3 x 6 x 10 x 15 x 21 x 28 x 36 = 1008** then add **1** for the *kolel*, and double them for above and below, they total **2018** candles in all. So in essence, each and every year, by fulfilling the mitzvot of lighting the Chanukah candles we're preparing for the arrival of *Moshiach* in the year **2018 CE (5778 HC)**, our inheritance.

## Chanukah Gelt

Even the parve chocolate gelt we give to our children on Chanukah connects to *Mashiach*, as the Aramaic word for gelt is *Dami* (???) of numerical value **54**, and since **5778** is the sum of all the



integers from **1** to **107** and **5778 = 107 x 54**, then **54**, and thus *Dami* (Gelt), plays yet another role in connecting all of us to the coming of *H'Mashiach*, B'H very soon.

**So, this Chanukah, become a tzaddik and light the candles with love in your heart and**



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**the intention to bring Mashiach to the world. Together, we will combine our light and make a real and lasting change in the world. Together, we can be the Maccabees.**



**With every candle we light,**

**we can sweeten the judgment**

**in our lives**

**and in the world.**

**"For with Thee is the fountain of life; In Thy light do we see light." -Psalm  
36:9**