

Monday 13th December 2021

LF4 - A light in the darkness that brings
hope



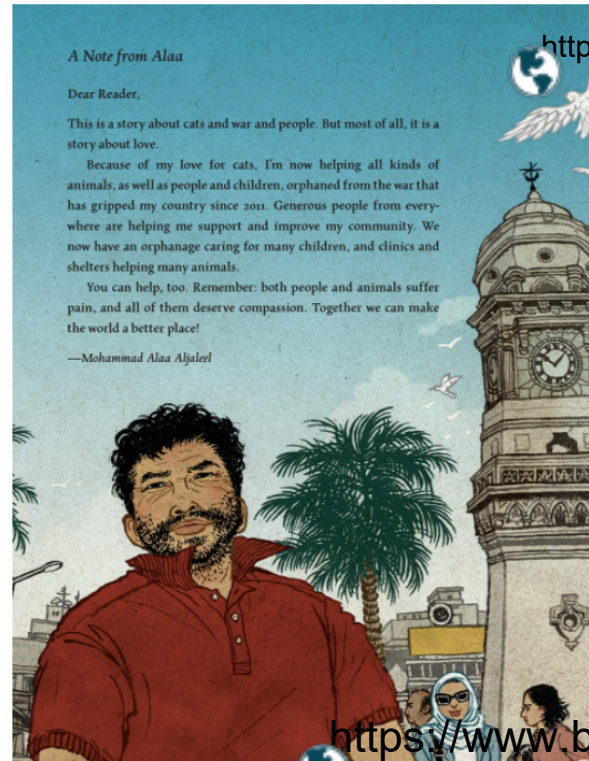
What does it mean to be a light in dark places?

- What does light give us?
- What does it mean by dark places?
- Does it mean darkness in being able to see things or is it a bit different to this?



Amnesty International

Are a charity that help people who have their human rights stopped or damaged. Why do you think they have a candle with barbed wire wrapped around it?



<https://www.bbc.co.uk/news/av/magazine-37453081>

How is Alaa a light in the darkness?

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/news/stories-47473772>

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**What is the light in
the darkness for
these children living
in Aleppo?**

Isaiah describes the one who was waited for, as being like a light in the darkness:

The people walking in darkness have seen a great light; on those living in the land of deep darkness a light has dawned. You have enlarged the nation and increased their joy; they rejoice before you as people rejoice at the harvest, as warriors rejoice when dividing the plunder.

For to us a child is born, to us a son is given, and the government will be on his shoulders. And he will be called Wonderful Counsellor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace. Of the greatness of his government and peace there will be no end. Isaiah 9: 2-3, 6-7



How did Isaiah describe the Messiah?

How was the Promised One going to be like a light in the darkness?

What names does Isaiah give the Messiah, and which one do you like the best and why?

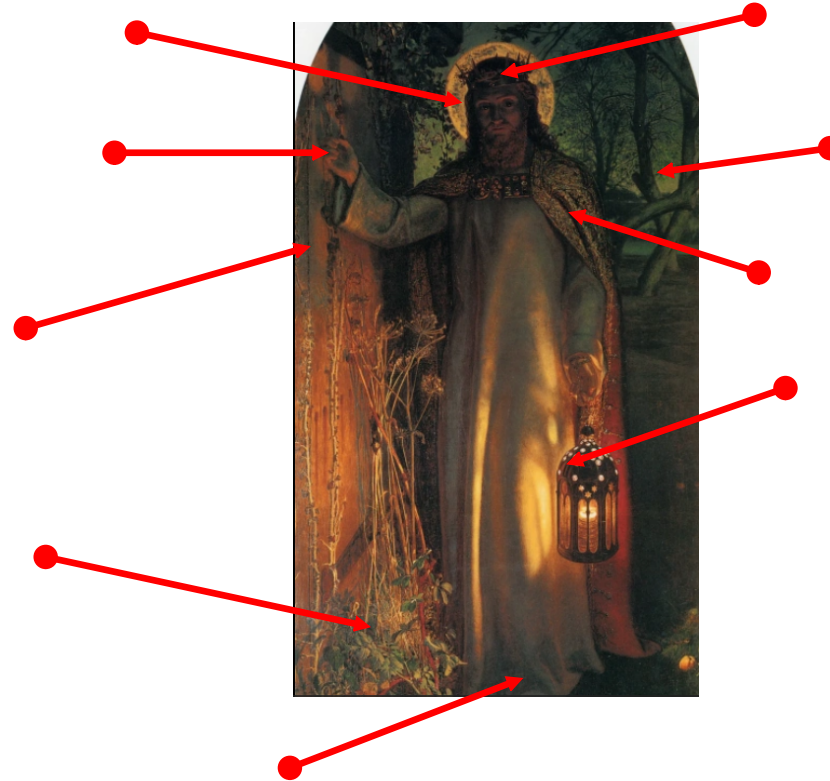
Many years later John in the beginning of his gospel talks about Jesus as light:

'The light shines in the darkness, and the darkness has never put it out.' John 1:5

**The Light in the Darkness Painting
by William Holman Hunt
Painted around 1851-53**



Holman Hunt used lots of symbolism in the painting to help us think about Jesus more:



On your sheet, you need to label and then explain what the symbolism means