

**The Lord Is in the Light, 1 Jn 1:7; His Great Power Experiment of the Incarnation: Its Outcome Is Known to God but Must Be Discovered by Believers in the Bible**

**1 John 1:7 - But if we habitually function inside the Light of the divine power system ...**

9. Next we are reminded of the source of this power system. We have documented its importance by observing the several passages that implore us to extract ourselves from darkness and function in the Light.
10. The ultimate example of its effectiveness in the Invisible War is introduced by the comparative particle **ὡς, hōs**, which indicates the manner by which the power system has been tested. It is translated “as.”
11. It is followed by the personal pronoun **αὐτός, autos**, translated “He,” and its antecedent is Jesus Christ.
12. The illustration and the protasis are completed by the present active indicative of the verb **εἰμί, eimi**, plus the prepositional phrase in the locative of sphere, **ἐν τῷ φῶς, en tōi phōs**: “as He is in the sphere of the Light.”
 

**εἰμί, eimi - “is”**

present:	Static: a condition that is assumed as perpetually existing, or to be ever taken for granted as a fact. Jesus Christ perpetually resides inside the divine power system.
active:	The Lord produces the action of the verb.
indicative:	Declarative; a statement of fact regarding His function in the divine dynasphere.
13. The great power experiment of the hypostatic union consisted of uniting two personalities: the true humanity of the Messiah, in the person of Jesus of Nazareth, with the undiminished Deity of the Second Person of the Trinity.
14. We find in the protasis of verse 7 both the operational divine dynasphere in the subordinate clause, “if we walk in the Light,” and the prototype divine dynasphere in the comparative phrase, “as He is in the Light.”
15. The efficiency and reliability of the Church Age’s operational system has been demonstrated by means of the Lord’s prototype system. Jesus Christ was the subject of an experiment during the course of the Incarnation that proved the system’s ability to withstand any challenge offered by the Dark Side’s temptations, the devil’s world, or satanic strategy.
16. The Lord’s successful utilization of the divine dynasphere in the Incarnation is referred to as the “great power experiment”:
  - 1) **Experiment:** An operation or procedure carried out under controlled conditions in order to (1) discover an unknown effect or law, (2) test or establish a hypothesis, or (3) illustrate a known law (MWCD-11).
  - 2) God’s purpose for the experiment follows the third definition. He invented the system and knew of its perfections. However, as finite Homo sapiens, we must learn through the study of Scripture about the system’s perfection by observing the Lord’s use of it in the Incarnation.
  - 3) The divine dynasphere is unknown to the Church Age believer until it is “discovered” in the Gospels and Epistles. It remains an hypothesis until we come to know and understand the absolute perfection of our Lord and His successful sacrifice on the cross.

- 4) The validity of the power system's capabilities to function under the duress of *cosmos diabolicus* is certified in two dispensations: (1) the Incarnation of Jesus Christ and (2) the Church Age.
- 5) The result of the first experiment is complete and found sufficient, its complete results documented in the Gospels and commented on in the Acts and Epistles.
- 6) The system was validated by the personal experiences of our Lord in which He utilized its various gates to manage the challenges presented to Him.
- 7) In conjunction with His free-will decisions, the system never failed to resolve the issues that confronted the true humanity of the Lord throughout the Incarnation.
- 8) The Church Age believer maintains fellowship with God by making free-will decisions to reject temptations to sin. He utilizes the enabling power of the Holy Spirit inside the divine power system to maintain status quo spirituality.
- 9) Because the outcome of the experiment in the Incarnation was known in eternity past it was not hypothetical or theoretical but decreed.
- 10) However, from the point of view of the human race it played out historically during the Incarnation before the observation of eyewitnesses and was attested to by the writers of Scripture.
- 11) Church Age believers can study the Lord's execution of the prototype experiment and conclude that it is capable of sustaining status quo spiritually when utilized.