

The Diamond of Divine Glory

We desire to create a rich biblical picture of this titled document because Scripture repeatedly uses the imagery of light, glory, precious stones, and radiant brilliance to reveal the majesty of Christ. While the Bible never explicitly calls Jesus a "diamond," the qualities of the diamond beautifully illustrate His divine nature, His finished work, and His eternal Kingdom.

A diamond begins as common carbon, hidden in the depths of the earth. Only under tremendous pressure and intense heat does it emerge as one of the most brilliant and enduring treasures known to man. Likewise, the eternal Son of God humbled Himself, taking upon Himself human flesh, enduring the pressures of temptation, rejection, suffering, and finally the agony of the Cross. Yet through His resurrection He emerged in unveiled glory, the triumphant King whose brilliance can never be diminished. Every ray of His life reflects the Father's own glory!

The brilliance of a diamond is not self-generated. It reflects and refracts light into countless colors, multiplying the beauty of the light that enters it. In an even greater way, Jesus perfectly revealed the Father.

John 14:9 (AMP)

"He who has seen Me has seen the Father."

Christ is the flawless revelation of God. Every attribute of the Father—love, righteousness, holiness, mercy, truth, wisdom, justice, and grace—is perfectly displayed in the Son. Nothing is distorted. Nothing is hidden. As light enters a flawless diamond and is magnified into radiant splendor, so the invisible God is perfectly revealed through Jesus Christ.

The writer of Hebrews describes this divine brilliance.

Hebrews 1:3 (AMP)

"He is the radiance of His glory and the exact representation of His nature..."

The Greek word translated "radiance" carries the thought of brightness streaming forth. Christ is not merely illuminated by God's glory; He is the very outshining of it. Like an infinitely perfect diamond reflecting light in every direction, Jesus eternally manifests the glory of the Father.

John 1:4–5 (AMP) John adds another dimension:

"In Him was Life [and the power to bestow life], and the Life was the Light of men. The Light shines on in the darkness, and the darkness did not understand it or overpower it..."

[Reflection: Darkness has never diminished Christ's Light. Just as no darkness can extinguish the sparkle of a diamond once light reaches it, neither sin, death, nor Satan could overcome the Light of Christ. His resurrection forever established His victory over every shadow.

The prophet Daniel foresaw the destiny of those transformed by this same Light.

Daniel 12:3 (AMP)

"Those who are wise will shine brightly like the brightness of the expanse of heaven, and those who lead many to righteousness, like the stars forever and ever."

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Believers do not become the Light itself; they become reflectors of Christ's Light. Just as every carefully cut facet of a diamond catches and releases light, every surrendered area of the believer's life becomes another facet through which Christ shines into the world.

2 Corinthians 4:6 (AMP) This harmonizes with Paul's testimony.

"For God, who said, 'Light shall shine out of darkness,' is the One who has shone in our hearts to give the Light of the knowledge of the glory and majesty of God clearly revealed in the face of Christ."

The glory once hidden behind the veil now shines through the face of Jesus Christ. The believer beholds Him and is continually transformed by His radiance.

2 Corinthians 3:18 (AMP)

"And we all, with unveiled face, continually seeing as in a mirror the glory of the Lord, are progressively being transformed into His image from one degree of glory to even more glory..."

The more one gazes upon Christ, the more the "facets" of spiritual character are refined. Pride is cut away. Self is polished. Faith, hope, love, humility, and holiness become increasingly transparent to His Light. The Master Jeweler patiently fashions every living stone until it reflects the beauty of His Son.

Book of Revelation 21:11 (AMP) The culmination of this imagery is seen in the heavenly city. "...having the glory and radiance of God. Her brilliance was like a very rare jewel, like a jasper, shining and clear as crystal."

The New Jerusalem radiates because Christ Himself is its Light.

Revelation 21:23 (AMP)

"And the city has no need of the sun nor of the moon to give light to it, for the glory (splendor, radiance) of God has illuminated it, and the Lamb is its lamp."

Every precious stone adorning the spiritual city reflects two central realities: all beauty, all glory, and all brilliance originate in the Lamb and Lion, once Crucified now King of kings!

Thus, the diamond becomes a beautiful emblem of the Revelation of the Light of Christ. Its purity speaks of His holiness! Its hardness reflects His unchanging nature!

Its rarity points to His incomparable worth! Its brilliance proclaims His glory! Its many facets reveal the infinite dimensions of His wisdom and grace! Yet the greatest lesson of the diamond is this: apart from light it appears ordinary, but when flooded with light it displays a brilliance beyond description. So it is with Christ! The Father has caused all the fullness of His glory to shine in the Son, and the Son now shines through His redeemed people.

1 Peter 2:9 (AMP). "that you may proclaim the excellencies of Him who has called you out of darkness into His marvelous Light"

In this sense, the diamond does not merely symbolize Christ's beauty—it becomes an invitation for every disciple to become a living facet of His eternal Light, reflecting the brilliance of the King.!

Habakkuk 2:14 (AMP)

until "the knowledge of the glory of the Lord fills the earth as the waters cover the sea"

Are you excited about the remarkable way Holy Ghost is leading us into the creative realms of a rich biblical picture and imagery of light, glory, precious stones, and radiant brilliance to reveal the majesty of Christ?

Scripture does not treat holy emotion as something separate from truth. When God reveals Himself, the response is often deeply emotional! —not emotion for its own sake, but emotion born from beholding His glory! The grandeur we can sense is consistent with many biblical encounters where the majesty of Christ overwhelmed those who saw even a glimpse of His splendor!

**The Diamond of Divine Glory: The Language of Holy Wonder*

There are moments when words become too small for revelation. Truth enters the heart before language can fully explain it. Such moments awaken emotions that are neither merely human nor sentimental but are stirred by the Holy Spirit as the soul beholds the majesty of Christ! Awe, wonder, joyful reverence, overwhelming peace, holy expectancy, profound gratitude, and worship rise together as one harmonious response to His Presence! These soul-related experiences most generally manifest when we worship Him in music! Music through song or instrumentation stimulates the mind and draws us into a place of intimacy as we honor and praise Him!

Perhaps an illustration in the natural would be like standing before an immense flawless diamond illuminated by the purest light, every movement revealing another dimension of indescribable beauty. Its brilliance seems tantalizing alive, drawing the observer deeper into its splendor! Yet even this picture falls infinitely short of the surpassing glory of Jesus Christ! Every revelation of Him awakens a fresh realization that His beauty has no end!

• His wisdom no boundary! • His love no measure! and • His glory no limit!

The Scriptures repeatedly portray this holy response.

Psalm 27:4 (AMP)

"One thing I have asked from the LORD, that I shall seek: That I may dwell in the house of the LORD all the days of my life, To gaze upon the beauty [the delightful loveliness and majestic grandeur] of the LORD..."

[Reflection: David was not simply seeking information about God; he longed to behold His beauty. Divine beauty awakens holy affection. The Queen of Sheba experienced something similar when she witnessed Solomon's wisdom—a mere shadow of Christ.]

1 Kings 10:5 (AMP)

"...there was no more spirit in her."

She was left breathless! Scripture records that the greatness before her exceeded all expectation. If the wisdom of Solomon produced such astonishment, how much greater is the revelation of Christ..."something greater than Solomon"

Matthew 12:42 (AMP)

42 The Queen of the South (Sheba) will stand up [as a witness] at the judgment against this generation, and will condemn it because she came from the ends of the earth to listen to the wisdom of Solomon; and now, something greater than Solomon is here.

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John, the beloved disciple who leaned upon Jesus during the Last Supper, encountered the glorified Christ decades later.

Revelation 1:17 (AMP)

"When I saw Him, I fell at His feet as though dead..."

[Reflection: Love gave way to overwhelming reverence! Familiarity dissolved into worship! The unveiled glory of Christ produced holy astonishment beyond human strength!]

Romans 16:27 (AMP) Glory to God!

27 to the only wise God, through Jesus Christ, be the glory forevermore! Amen.

Ephesians 3:19 (AMP) Paul expresses this same response.

"[That you may come] to know [practically, through personal experience] the love of Christ which far surpasses mere knowledge..."

[Reflection: There exists a knowledge that cannot be contained by the intellect alone. It overflows into adoration! It humbles pride, quiets fear, heals brokenness, and fills the heart with unshakable joy. This is revelation knowledge—the heart encountering the living Christ!]

Peter, reflecting upon Christ's Presence within believers, describes emotions that words themselves struggle to capture.

1 Peter 1:8 (AMP)

"Though you have not seen Him, you love Him; and though you do not even see Him now, you believe and trust in Him and you greatly rejoice and delight with inexpressible and glorious joy."

Notice Peter's language: "inexpressible" and "glorious!" There are experiences with Christ that stretch language to its limits! The heart knows what the tongue cannot fully explain!

Perhaps this is why Paul concludes one of the greatest doxologies in Scripture with words that seem to echo eternity itself.

Romans 11:33 (AMP)

"Oh, the depth of the riches and wisdom and knowledge of God! How unsearchable are His judgments and decisions, and how unfathomable and untraceable are His ways!"

The closer we come to Christ, the less casual we become.

- His brilliance awakens reverence!
- His holiness produces humility!
- His love brings tears!
- His majesty silences every boast!
- His nearness births unspeakable joy!

His glory fills the heart until worship becomes the only fitting response!

[Reflection: Have you entered into His Presence and experienced Him in His Divine Glory? He is open to commune with you! There truly is unspeakable delight in Him!]

Jude 1:24 (AMP) We again express our awe as Jude was experiencing Christ's Presence! Now to Him who is able to keep you from stumbling or falling into sin, and to present you unblemished [blameless and faultless] in the presence of His glory with triumphant joy and unspeakable delight,

Thus, the "Diamond of Christ" is more than a symbol of radiant perfection!

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Worship in Him is a window into the emotional language of heaven. Every facet speaks! Every reflection invites! Every flash of divine light calls the soul to deeper wonder! The believer does not merely admire "the Diamond"—he is captivated by Him! The worshipper is drawn into His radiance he finds himself transformed from glory to glory! 2 Corinthians 4:6 (AMP)

6 For God, who said, "Let light shine out of darkness," is the One who has shone in our hearts to give us the Light of the knowledge of the glory and majesty of God [clearly revealed] in the face of Christ.---

Throughout our study of *The Revelation of the Light of Christ*, we have emphasized three dimensions: • The Light of Truth, • The Light of Life, and • The Light of the Holy Spirit. The "grand emotions" of which hopefully you have experienced fit naturally as a *response* to these three lights! Truth illuminates the mind! Life awakens the spirit! The Holy Spirit inflames the affections! The result is not emotionalism, but what the Puritans often called *holy affections*—the heart's God-given response to the unveiled beauty of Christ! That progression into intimacy with the Lord becomes an illustration of the biblical reality that the glory of Christ moves the whole person—mind, heart, and spirit. When the Holy Spirit unveils Christ, the heart naturally responds in worship!

Music was introduced in our article above.

"When your heart sings with His Glory," it is itself profoundly biblical! When Mary encountered the revelation of God's Redemptive Plan, she did not first analyze it—she sang!

Luke 1:46–47 (AMP)

"And Mary said, 'My soul magnifies and exalts the Lord, And my spirit has rejoiced in God my Savior.'"

- When the heavenly host beheld the birth of Christ, they sang.
- When the redeemed gather around the throne, they sing.
- When John saw the glorified Christ, he fell in worship.

The biblical pattern is clear: revelation leads to adoration!

Consider our correlative approach to harmonize "Diamond" theme with the light, glory, precious stones, and radiant brilliance of Christ!

- A diamond has no voice.
- It never speaks.
- It never announces its value.
- It simply receives light... and returns it with breathtaking brilliance.

So it is with the mature believer.

The greatest testimony is not always found in many words but in a life that has become so surrendered to Christ that His Light radiates through • every thought, • every action, • every expression, and • every act of love. Others begin to see not the "diamond," but the Light shining through it.

That is exactly what Paul described.

2 Corinthians 4:7 (AMP)

"However, we possess this precious treasure [the divine Light of the Gospel] in earthen vessels, so that the grandeur and surpassing greatness of the power will be shown to be from God [His sufficiency] and not from ourselves."

Notice the wording: *the grandeur*. The vessel is ordinary; the brilliance belongs to Christ!

The value of a diamond is not measured merely by its size, but by the brilliance it releases when light enters it. Likewise, the greatness of the believer is never found in personal ability, position, or achievement, but in the measure to which the Light of Christ is welcomed, unhindered, and reflected. The believer becomes most beautiful when he is least visible and Christ is seen most clearly!

Throughout eternity we shall never exhaust the beauty of Christ.

Every moment in His presence will reveal another facet of His infinite glory, another depth of His immeasurable love, another brilliance of His eternal wisdom. Heaven itself will not be the end of discovery, but the beginning of an endless unveiling of the Diamond of God's Glory. Throughout the ages to come, the redeemed will forever behold Him, forever worship Him, and forever discover that every new glimpse of His majesty surpasses the last!

Paul seems to hint at this endless unveiling.

Ephesians 2:7 (AMP)

"So that in the ages to come He might [clearly] show the immeasurable and unsurpassed riches of His grace in His kindness toward us in Christ Jesus."

The words, "in the ages to come," suggest an inexhaustible Christ.

Infinite glory can never be fully explored by finite, though glorified, creatures.

Every "facet" of His majesty opens into another, and another, without end.

As you have walked with us through these conversations, I we have noticed a consistent thread. We are not merely assembling doctrines—we are inviting readers to behold the Lord Jesus Christ Himself in a greater way than possibly in the past!

That is what gives this "Diamond" theme such unusual strength! It is not ultimately about the gemstone; it is about the inexhaustible brilliance of the One who is "the radiance" of His glory and the exact representation of His nature." (

Hebrews 1:3 (AMP).

3 The Son is the radiance and only expression of the glory of [our awesome] God [reflecting God's Shekinah glory, the Light-being, the brilliant light of the divine], and the exact representation and perfect imprint of His [Father's] essence, and upholding and maintaining and propelling all things [the entire physical and spiritual universe] by His powerful word [carrying the universe along to its predetermined goal].

When He [Himself and no other] had [by offering Himself on the cross as a sacrifice for sin] accomplished purification from sins and established our freedom from guilt, He sat down [revealing His completed work] at the right hand of the Majesty on high [revealing His Divine authority],

May every page you read and ponder upon become another polished facet through which His marvelous Light shines!