

CHILDREN'S CORNER

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rather than light,
because their deeds
were evil"
John 3:19

Darkness over New York City

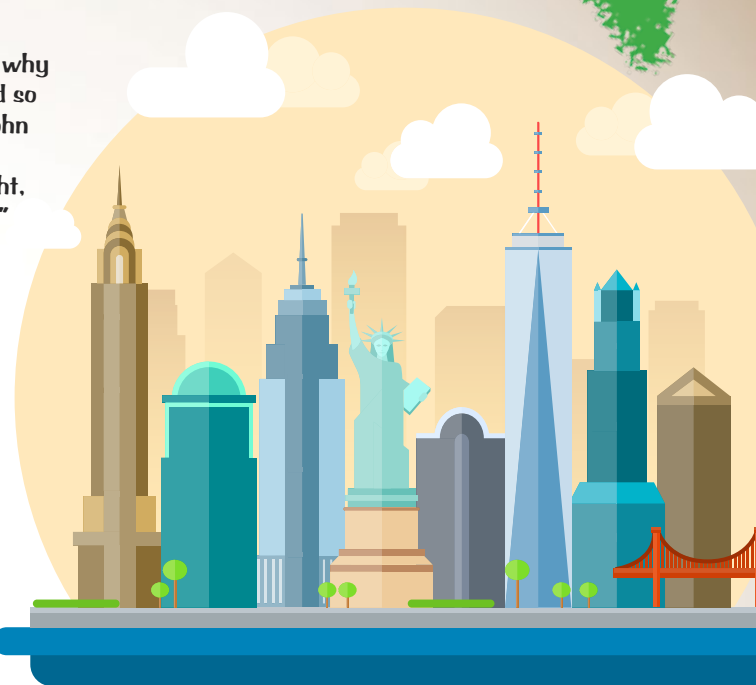
New York City, the biggest in the USA, has 13,000 "Yellow Cab" taxis and 6,200 subway trains serving 468 stations. There are thousands of restaurants and cafes and some 40,000 street vendors selling hot-dogs, coffee and doughnuts to the 8.5 million inhabitants. It's a city that never sleeps. Many of its businesses and entertainment centres are open 24 hours a day, making it a very bright and exciting place to visit.

However, on the 13th July 1977, lightning strikes from a thunder storm caused a power cut. The city was plunged into an eerie, dark silence as the sun went down. Very quickly it became a night of two extremes. Some took strolls, chatted with strangers or huddled around little battery radios to get news updates – but others went on the rampage. Warehouses and shops were broken into, looted and burned down. By morning, parts of

the city were like a war zone, with billions of dollars' worth of damage caused.

Experts in the field of human behaviour couldn't fully grasp why so many New Yorkers behaved so badly that night. However, John 3:19 gives the answer: "Men loved darkness rather than light, because their deeds were evil."

I wonder if these words describe your life. If you have no love for the Lord Jesus, the Light of the world, to draw near would only reveal the awfulness of your sin and cause you great shame. The Good News of the Gospel is this: There is still mercy, forgiveness and cleansing for you, if you will humble yourself, come to the Saviour, repent of your sin and be saved through His precious shed blood.



Quiz:

Which of the words found here: "MEN LOVE DARKNESS RATHER THAN LIGHT, BECAUSE THEIR DEEDS WERE EVIL" does not appear in the word search?

Answer:

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EVEN IF YOU DIDN'T WIN THIS TIME, PLEASE
KEEP TRYING - MAYBE NEXT TIME!