

Be the Light

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"This is for me!"

Matthew 5:14-16 NIV

"You are the light of the world. A town built on a hill cannot be hidden. Neither do people light a lamp and put it under a bowl. Instead they put it on its stand, and it gives light to everyone in the house. In the same way, let your light shine before others, that they may see your good deeds and glorify your Father in heaven."

If you're a Christ follower, you are a MARKED person! You are the light of the world!

MSG translation

"Here's another way to put it: You're here to be light, bringing out the God-colors in the world. God is not a secret to be kept. We're going public with this, as public as a city on a hill. If I make you light-bearers, you don't think I'm going to hide you under a bucket, do you? I'm putting you on a light stand. Now that I've put you there on a hilltop, on a light stand—shine! Keep open house; be generous with your lives. By opening up to others, you'll prompt people to open up with God, this generous Father in heaven."

We CHANGE environments, we SET environments !

That's not only who we are called to be - it's WHO WE ARE in Christ!

We don't live for ourself anymore! Light is not solely for itself - a lightbulb doesn't exist for itself! It gives light to the midst of darkness to bring clarity around it!

This is your FOCUS, it's your CALL!

By opening up to others, we will prompt others to open up to God - to be open to God!

Jesus has spoken this over our life - that we are the light of the world!

Environments and culture are often led and set by those who are willing to step out of what is normal and into what is different !

We need to operate out of the mindset that everything we do and have is from God!

Not operating out of the mindset that it's from our own selves!

God wants us to have a greater worship experience EVERY week! God wants our prayer life to take a different trajectory in this season. "My prayer is that next year, I look back at my faith and passion and see that it was lacking"

Let's not pigeon hole people that are passionate for Christ!

I believe my faith can be greater!

The enemy wants us to think that we are at 99.9% of knowing God in its entirety. He will leave a little gap to make us think there is a little bit more - but it's the opposite! Knowing God can and will ALWAYS increase!!

Confidence acts differently than most people are familiar with

When we are called to be the light of the world there is a confidence attached to it!

Every week when we gather - our faith, peace, confidence, zeal, passion for God should INCREASE!

We can live a life of confidence, faith, and zeal because we know who holds our future !

Press on and finish the race

God will give us increased grace, courage, and peace

God's presence will increase in our life and will be tangibly and more significant than ever before

If we're not careful, we will become no different than those who have no belief in Jesus !

What joy do you bring? What colors do you add to your life and the lives of those around you?

YOU ARE THE LIGHT OF THE WORLD!

1 Corinthians 15:33

How is your life different with Jesus...what has he done and what is He doing

-increasing boldness, passion, faith, and giving us more. Not what we are doing, but what God is giving us

We don't give out of what we have, but what God has given us

His increase is limitless

It's caught more than it's taught. Those step into it catch it

You are not a bystander of your future

Story of Paul press on and believe Gods presence will increase...what separates me from others?

Bad company corrupts good character. You choose who you position yourself around.

Some won't change until the pain of not changing is greater than the pain of changing

Enemy wants to convince you that you have arrive and there isn't much that needs to change

Life is like a vapor

We are about to step into a season of increase not for us or our glory but for Gods glory. Don't put limits on what God can and do in us and thru us

Let's shape the culture we are a part of as christians to promote God