

Shine Like City on a Hilltop! Matthew 5:14 (NLT)

1) _____ Light

Let your light shine verbally. Acts 18:9
Open your mouth and share your story with others. 2 Corinthians 5:19 / Acts 26:23

2) _____ Light

Shine through our actions and deeds. James 2:18 and 26
Shine through our gifts and purpose.

Next Step: This week I will intentionally speak light and find three practical ways to demonstrate light to those around me.

Hide It Under a Bushel – No!”

Matthew 5:15 No one lights a lamp and then puts it under a basket.
Instead, a lamp is placed on a stand, where it gives light to everyone in the house.

Obvious Bushels

Not Speaking Light / Not Demonstrating Light / Not Using Your Gifts and Purpose

_____ **Bushels**

Traditions

Cultural Differences

Dogmas

(Not scripturally based doctrine, but rather established opinions based on a point of view put forth as authoritative without adequate grounds.) 2 Corinthians 3:6

The Works of Our Flesh Galatians 5:19-21

The Cares and Worries of Life The Parable of the Sower (Mark 4:18-19) 1) The worries of life.
2) The deceitfulness of wealth. 3) The desire for other things.

Next Step: This week I will consider what my bushels are. I will consider my deeds and actions to make sure that I'm not hiding my light under a bushel.

The _____ of Shining! Matthew 5:15-16 (NLT)

You and I have the light of Jesus within us. Hide my light under a bushel... No! I'm going to let it shine!

Life App Group and Family Devotional Application

1. Share examples on how we “Speak Light”.
2. Share practical ways to “Demonstrate Light” to those around you.
3. Bushels block our light from shining bright. What were the three obvious bushels given in the sermon?
4. Now, what about the inadvertent bushels in our lives? What are some of the inadvertent bushels in your life and how do they block your light?
5. This can be sensitive, so try not to offend others, but what are some of the inadvertent bushels that you see in some believers and do you think what they are doing can block the light?
6. How do *you* and how can *we* put the light on a table or lampstand and let it shine bright?

Answers: Speak / Demonstrate / Inadvertent / Results