

Let Your Light Shine



Word of the Week

"You are the light of the world. A city set on a hill cannot be hidden. Nor do people light a lamp and put it under a basket, but on a stand, and it gives light to all in the house. In the same way, let your light shine before others, so that they may see your good works and give glory to your Father who is in heaven."

MATTHEW 5: 14-16

Prayer for the Week

Loving Father, You created us to shine, to let the light of your love show in all we do and say. Help me always to recognise in myself the light of your Risen Son, who lives and reigns for ever and ever.

Amen.



"Darkness cannot drive out darkness; only light can do that. Hate cannot drive out hate; only love can do that."



In this week's Word of the Week we are told directly that we are light for the world. The power of light comes from God, and God has placed his light within all of us. God calls us to shine that light for ourselves and for all the world to see, so that we may know we are God's children and that all may come to see and know how good God is because we are like him.



The light

We all have our own special light. Inside each of us is the gentle glow of who we are, where we come from and where we're going. This 'light' within us can represent several things. It can be our soul, our innate goodness, the glow of inner joy, our compassion, our love and courage, our life force and more. So, how do we celebrate and share our inner light with others, and make it glow even brighter? Take a moment to reflect on what comes to mind when you think about your light. How do you think you are being called to let your light shine?

Taking a moment to reflect can help us think about the decisions we've made- or that we're about to make- and it can help us to discover the positive changes we need to make in our lives.

So nurture your light- and share it with those around you- and maybe make the world a little brighter.



SOMETHING TO WATCH



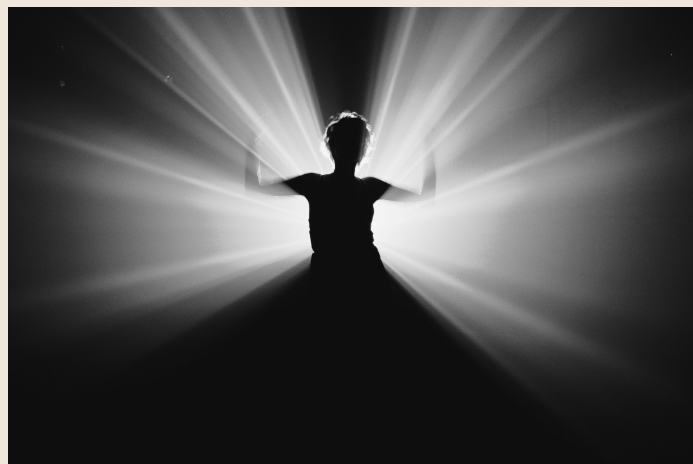
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Take a moment

Light has one primary purpose, to dispel darkness.

Imagine, for a moment, sitting in the Arts theatre or sports hall with no lights on, no windows to let in natural light. We would be in pitch darkness, but now imagine one person lighting a match, everyone would see it.

Imagine the light of that match growing to light up the room.

The light of one small match can dispel the darkness of an entire room. It doesn't take a huge spot light to make a difference.



Faith in Action

Is there a situation in our local community or in the world today that you could bring light into? Remember it doesn't take a huge spotlight to make a difference.

