

BLESSED TO “BE LIGHT”

Matthew 5:14-16

"You are the light of the world. A city on a hill cannot be hidden. ¹⁵ 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. ¹⁶ In the same way, let your light shine before men, that they may see your good deeds and praise your Father in heaven."

Blessed to Be Light by Who You Are!

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"You are the light of the world. A city on a hill cannot be hidden."

We cannot be light unless we discover who we are.

You are not defined by what surrounds you.

You are defined by God's Spirit inside of you!

You are not defined by your circumstance.

You are defined by His covenant.

You are not defined by the hell you're going through.

You are defined by the heaven you're going to.

You are not defined by your failures.

You are defined by His forgiveness.

You're not even defined by what you do for God.

You are defined by what God already did for you!

You are defined by the Father

You are defined by the Son

And you are defined by the Holy Spirit.

Galatians 2:20

My old self has been crucified with Christ. It is no longer I who live, but Christ lives in me. So I live in this earthly body by trusting in the Son of God, who loved me and gave himself for me.

So Who are we?

We are the light of the world. (Matthew 5:14)

We are a city on a hill. (Matthew 5:14)

We are people of the word. (1 Kings 8:56)

We are salt and light. (Matthew 5:13-14)

We are disciples, witnesses, and Christ followers. (Matthew 28:16-20)

We are apostles, prophets, evangelists, pastors and teachers. (Ephesians 4:11)

We are children of the cross (Romans 8:17)

We are fruit of the empty tomb (John 12:24)

We are product of the upper room (Acts 2).

We are the redeemed of The Lord. (Psalm 107:2)

We are the sheep of his pasture. (Psalm 100:3)

We are called and chosen. (1 Peter 2:9)

We are warriors and worshippers. (Psalm 144:1)

We are world changers and history makers. (Mark 16:15)

We are the Church of Jesus Christ and the gates of hell shall not, cannot and will not prevail against us! (Matthew 16:18)

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Blessed to Be Light by Removing the Obstacles.

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Zechariah 4:6

“For it is not by might, nor by power, but by my Spirit saith the Lord”

2 Corinthians 3:17

For Where the Spirit of God is present there is freedom.

1 John 2:8

Yet I am writing you a new command; its truth is seen in him and in you, because the darkness is passing and the true light is already shining.

Blessed to Be Light by Where You Stand.

Psalm 89:14

“Righteousness and justice are the foundation of your throne. Unfailing love and truth walk before you as attendants.”

Luke 1:79

to shine on those living in darkness and in the shadow of death, to guide our feet into the path of peace.

Blessed to Be Light by What You Do.

Ephesians 5:8

For you were once darkness, but now you are light in the Lord. Live as children of light.

What do we do?

We love.

We forgive.

We turn the other cheek.

We bless our enemies.

We walk in integrity.

We quench the thirsty.

We clothe the naked.

We feed the hungry.

We welcome the stranger.
We take care of the orphan and the widow.
We preach in and out of season.
We worship in spirit and truth.
We do justice
We love mercy
We walk humbly before God.
We are light.

John 1:5

“The light shines in the darkness, and the darkness can never extinguish it.”

1 Samuel 3:3a

The lamp of God had not yet gone out,

Rise up and be light!

Be light and Walk like Enoch
Be light Believe like Abraham
Be light and Dress like Joseph
Be light and Stretch like Moses
Be light and Shout like Joshua
Be light and Dance like David
Be light and Fight like Gideon
Be light and Pray like Daniel
Be light and Build like Nehemiah
Be light and preach like Peter.
Be light and serve like Stephen.
And be light and live like Jesus!

Be light and change the world!