

BACK TO SCHOOL

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**A LIGHT
IN THE
DARKNESS**

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THIS WEEK WE ARE TALKING ABOUT BEING A LIGHT IN THE DARKNESS

GOAL:

**UNDERSTANDING THAT AS A CHILD OF GOD, YOU ARE
MEANT TO BE A LIGHT IN A WORLD THAT IS DARK. YOU ARE
TO BE THE BEST REPRESENTATION OF JESUS.**

WHAT DOES THE BIBLE SAY ABOUT BEING THE LIGHT?

**THE BIBLE TELLS US IN MATTHEW 5:14, "YOU ARE THE LIGHT OF THE WORLD—LIKE
A CITY ON A HILLTOP THAT CANNOT BE HIDDEN." NOT EVERYONE LOVES JESUS,
KNOWS JESUS, OR IS A NICE PERSON. SHOULD THAT CHANGE WHO YOU ARE? NO!**

**GOD WANTS YOU TO USE YOUR WORDS AND ACTIONS TO SHINE THE LIGHT OF
CHRIST. IF PEOPLE SEE THAT YOU'RE A GOOD AND FAITHFUL PERSON, THEY WILL
WONDER WHAT MAKES YOU THAT WAY, AND THAT'S HOW YOU SHINE THE LIGHT.
YOU TELL THEM THAT JESUS MAKES YOU THAT WAY.**

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TAKE TIME AND MEMORIZE OUR VERSE FOR THE
WEEK:

In the same way, let your good deeds
shine out for all to see, so that
everyone will praise your heavenly
father.

MATTHEW 5:16

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BIBLE READING FOR THIS WEEK:

MATTHEW 5:14-16

(ALL THE ANSWERS ARE IN YOUR READING)

WHAT DO YOU REPRESENT IN THIS PASSAGE?

WHERE DO YOU STICK LAMPS? -----

SHOULD OUR GOODNESS STAND OUT? -----

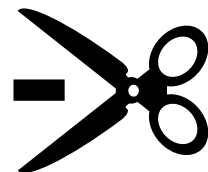
WHEN YOUR GOOD DEEDS SHINE, WHO GETS THE GLORY?

SHOULD YOU EVER FEEL EMBARRASSED TO BE A REFLECTION OF JESUS? -----

WILL EVERYONE LIKE JESUS? -----

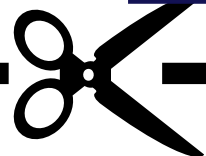
SHOULD THAT STOP YOU FROM SHINING? -----

Cut out this week's memory verse
And put it where you can see it!



**IN THE SAME WAY,
LET YOUR GOOD DEEDS SHINE OUT
FOR ALL TO SEE,
SO THAT EVERYONE WILL PRAISE
YOUR HEAVENLY FATHER.**

MATTHEW 5:16



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Let's review WHAT YOU READ THIS WEEK:

For many of you, it's time to GO BACK to SCHOOL. Whether you take A BUS to A BUILDING or LEARN from HOME, the SCHOOL YEAR HAS STARTED. When we are out AT SCHOOL, the PARK, or even the store, not everyone KNOWS JESUS AS YOU DO.

So HOW SHOULD YOU CONDUCT YOURSELF AS A CHRISTIAN? GOD CALLS YOU to BE the LIGHT of the WORLD. Do you KNOW WHAT THAT means? It means THAT GOD WANTS YOU to tell others ABOUT Him AND demonstrate His love to PEOPLE.

We want to SHARE it with other people. We want to let His LIGHT SHINE for ALL to see. We want to LIGHT UP the WHOLE WORLD AND SHOW HOW wonderful AND powerful our JESUS really is!

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Let's review WHAT YOU READ this week:

YOU KNOW HOW A LIGHT WORKS. IT HAS TO RECEIVE POWER WHEN IT'S PLUGGED IN. YOU HAVE TO BE "PLUGGED IN" TO GOD CONSTANTLY. YOU HAVE TO STAY CHARGED BY OUR POWER SOURCE. HOW? YOU SHOULD BE FAITHFUL TO READ GOD'S WORD, PRAY, AND PRAY CONTINUALLY.

YOU DON'T JUST PRAY OR READ THE BIBLE ONCE IN A WHILE OR WHEN YOU ARE AT CHURCH; YOU CAN DO THIS ALL THE TIME. YOU ARE MADE TO BE A REFLECTION OF JESUS IN ALL SITUATIONS. BE A LIGHT TODAY EVERYWHERE YOU GO!



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How CAN we PRAY?

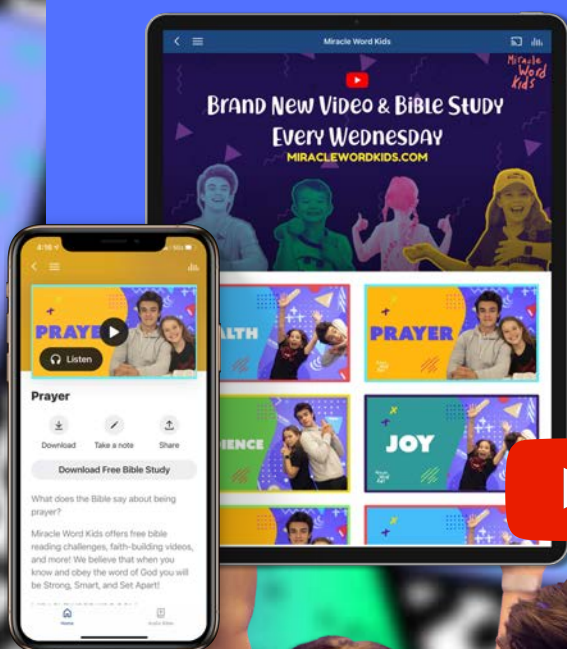
THANK YOU for the LOVE of JESUS. HELP me to UNDERSTAND Your WORDS AND to follow them CLOSELY. HELP me SHINE Your LIGHT in my world. HELP me to serve YOU AND others AND BE the BEST reflection of YOU. I LOVE you, GOD! In JESUS's name,

Amen!



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