



## PART FIVE: "SHINING IN THE DARKNESS"

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*"YOU ARE THE LIGHT of the world—like a city on a hilltop that cannot be hidden. 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. In the same way, let your good deeds shine out for ALL to see, so that EVERYONE will praise your heavenly Father."* Matthew 5:14-16 (NLT)

**The Inspired Life is more than God's dream for my life.**

**It's His dream for \_\_\_\_\_.**

### THREE LESSONS IN LIGHT

**1. The world is in \_\_\_\_\_.**

*"For we are not fighting against flesh-and-blood enemies, but...against mighty powers in THIS DARK WORLD..."* Ephesians 6:12 (NLT)

**Darkness brings \_\_\_\_\_,  
but the light of Christ brings \_\_\_\_\_.**

*"I have come into the world as a LIGHT, so that no one who believes in me should stay in darkness."* John 12:46 (NIV)

**Why \_\_\_\_\_ the darkness  
when you can simply shine some light?**

**2. The \_\_\_\_\_ is a chosen light.**

**We \_\_\_\_\_ the glory of Jesus  
and give \_\_\_\_\_ to the world.**

## SHINING (Cont'd)

*"Here's His objective: THROUGH THE CHURCH, He intends now to make known His infinite and boundless wisdom to all rulers and authorities in heavenly realms."* Ephesians 3:10 (TVT)

**The world is in a \_\_\_\_\_.**

**Shine accordingly.**

**3. It's time for us to \_\_\_\_\_!**

*"You used to be like people living in the dark, but now YOU ARE PEOPLE OF THE LIGHT because you belong to the Lord. So ACT LIKE PEOPLE OF THE LIGHT."* Ephesians 5:8 (CEV)

*"Live CLEAN, INNOCENT LIVES as children of God, shining like BRIGHT LIGHTS in a world full of crooked and perverse people."* Philippians 2:15 (NLT)

**The Inspired life is a life of \_\_\_\_\_.**

*FATHER GOD, There is nothing in this dark world that gives me life like Jesus. Thank you for sending Him to save me. Lord Jesus, I want your light to shine bright through me. Be my Lord and Savior, and use me to influence the world. In Christ's Name, AMEN*



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