

...be the light...

the importance of shining
in a darkened world

GOSPEL - NEIGHBORS - LOVE



People around us are struggling...

Matthew 9:35-38

And Jesus went throughout all the cities and villages, teaching in their synagogues and proclaiming the gospel of the kingdom and healing every disease and every affliction. When He saw the crowds, He had compassion for them, because they were harassed and helpless, like sheep without a shepherd. Then He said to His disciples, "The harvest is plentiful, but the laborers are few; therefore pray earnestly to the Lord of the harvest to send out laborers into his harvest."



God wants to help...

John 3:16-17

For God so loved the world, that He gave His only Son, that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have eternal life. For God did not send His Son into the world to condemn the world, but in order that the world might be saved through Him.



God wants to help...

1 Timothy 2:3-4

...God our savior, who desires all people to be saved and to come to the knowledge of the truth.

2 Peter 3:9

The Lord is not slow to fulfill His promise as some count slowness, but is patient toward you, not wishing that any should perish, but that all should reach repentance.



He has a part for us to play...

Matthew 5:14-16

"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.



He has a part for us to play...

Romans 10:14

How then will they call on Him in whom they have not believed? And how are they to believe in Him of whom they have never heard? And how are they to hear without someone preaching?

Philippians 2:14-15

Do all things without grumbling or disputing, that you may be blameless and innocent, children of God without blemish in the midst of a crooked and twisted generation, among whom you shine as lights in the world...



He has shown us how we should be...

Matthew 5, 6, & 7

1 Corinthians 5:11

Galatians 5:16-25

Philippians 4:4-9

1 Thessalonians 4:1-12

2 Timothy 3:1-7

James 3:13-18

Romans 12 & 13

1 Corinthians 6:9-20

Ephesians 5

Colossians 3; 4:1-6

1 Timothy 6

Titus 3:1-11

1 Peter 4



He has shown us how we should be...

Loving Pure In Heart Merciful Honorable Generous
Respectful Joyous Zealous Peaceful Humble
Honest Poor in Spirit Compassionate Patient Kind
Committed Grateful Good Pure in Heart Faithful
Gentle Genuine Holy Fair Self-Controlled Meek
Righteous Submissive to Authorities Proper Cheerful
Sexually Pure Spiritual Content Thankful
Wise Dignified Reasonable Sincere Gracious
Diligent Steadfast Courteous Selfless Calm
Productive Sober Hospitable Dependable



Will we help? Will we shine?

Are we willing to **BE GODLY** when we're out in the world?

Are we willing to take the next step and **share the gospel**?

Do we **love God**?

Do we **love our neighbors**?



Will we help? Will we shine?

Are we too busy theorizing? Let's go out and do something!

Are we hard-hearted like Jonah? Rejoice in love!

Are we afraid? Be bold, knowing that God is on our side!

LET'S BE AT WORK IN THE KINGDOM!

LET'S SERVE!

