CHILDREN BROCHURE



MORAVIAN CHURCH - BARBADOS CONFERENCE Provincial Theme: Advance the Kingdom: S.H.I.F.T.

S. - Seek & Submit

H. - Hear & Heed

I. - Imagine & Insight

F. - Focus & Function

T. - Totally Transformed

Age: 13 yrs. & Over

FOCUS

October 18 – Be Light

Scripture:

Sing with me:

Jesus bids us shine

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=1hg4pUoPDKs

- 1. Jesus bids us shine with a clear, pure light
 Like a little candle burning in the night;
 In this world of darkness, so we must shine
 You in your small corner and I in mine
- 2. Jesus bids us shine, first of all for Him Well He sees and knows it if our light grows dim;

He looks down from Heaven to see us shine You in your small corner and I in mine

- 3. Jesus bids us shine, then, for all around Many kinds of darkness in the world abound; Sin and want and sorrow, so we must shine You in your small corner and I in mine
- 4 Jesus bids us shine as we work for Him
 Bringing those that wander
 From the paths of sin;
 He will ever help us if we shine
 You in your small corner and I in mine

Memory Verse:

God said, "Let light shine out of darkness." (Genesis 1:3) He made his light shine in our hearts. It shows us the light of God's glory in the face of Christ. 2 Corinthians 4:6 NIRV

Reading from the Bible: (Read with me)

Matthew 5:13-16 NIRV

Salt and Light

13 "You are the salt of the earth. But suppose the salt loses its saltiness. How can it be made salty again? It is no longer good for anything. It will be thrown out. People will walk all over it.

¹⁴ "You are the light of the world. A town built on a hill can't be hidden. ¹⁵ Also, people do not light a lamp and put it under a bowl. Instead, they put it on its stand. Then it gives light to everyone in the house. ¹⁶ In the same way, let your light shine so others can see it. Then they will see the good things you do. And they will bring glory to your Father who is in heaven.

Message:

Let's talk about it:

In Matthew 5:14, Jesus tells His disciples, "You are the light of the world". As "light" we are to shine or make visible. Our lives are to be an on-going witness to the reality of Christ's presence in our lives. We show this light in various ways.

We can worship God with pure hearts - Spend time with God. We can do this in many different ways. One way is to read your Bible every day. Remember that chorus that we sing – Read your Bible, pray every day and you will grow, grow, grow. Listen to what God has to say and be reminded of what He has planned for you. We can also spend some time in worship. Listen to some music and praise God for the things He has given you, trusting Him for what He will do in the future. We can always pray. Pour your heart out to God. Give Him everything that is on your mind and in your heart. He hears you and will listen to everything you have to say.

God wants us to be happy. Choose to start every day with happiness. Remember, we have the power of choice. Only you can determine what you will be. Try to look on the bright side of things and choose to be happy. When you wake up in the morning, think of the little things that God has given you that you are thankful for. God only wants good things for our life and wants us to be happy. In 1 Peter 4:13, we read "But rejoice inasmuch as you participate in the sufferings of Christ, so that you may be overjoyed when his glory is revealed."

When we love others as ourselves, and when we enjoy doing good for others, we are lights shining. Make an effort to spend more time with the people in our life that are important to us. We should surround ourselves with the people that mean the most to us. These people will help bring us joy and happiness, reminding us of why they are important to us and bring light into our life. It is important, however to let the world know that the light they see in us is not our light, but the reflection of the Light of the world, Jesus Christ Himself. It is through the way that we live that we shine our light in the world.

Our light will shine if we live like God intended. The Lord created us in His image. He wants us to live a happy life and spread His light and joy to those around us. God wants us to be a light to those around us and be happy with the life that He has given us. In Philippians 2:15, the apostle Paul says, "Believers, you are to shine as light in the world". God uses us, like beacons from a lighthouse, to show the way to Him. A beacon is bright and unmistakable in its purpose. It warns of danger and it directs to a safe harbour. It provides hope for those who have lost hope. Every day we are surrounded by people groping around in the darkness, separated from the God who loves them. We are to be beacons in this world.

Let us pray:

We thank you, O Lord for taking care of all our needs, and the needs of our families and friends. We ask in a special way, O God to bless us with all the gifts needed to continue shining brightly for Christ and to share the gospel. We thank you, Lord, for the light of Christ's love that burns in our hearts. Help us to guard it well and share it with joy. We ask this prayer in the name of Jesus, Amen



Activity:

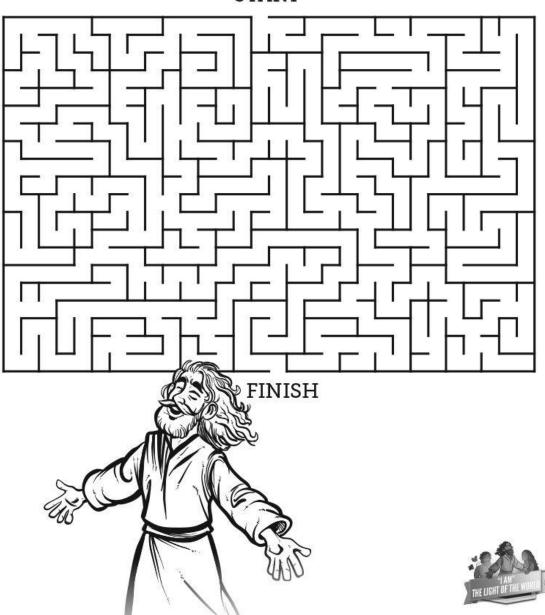
All the answers to Activity A are found in Matthew 5:13 - 15

- A. Arrange each of the following set of words to give a sentence.
 - 1. a city on hidden hill set cannot a be that is
 - 2. light men before shine so let your
 - 3. house light those are in who to all it gives the
 - 4. father is heaven in your glorify who
 - 5. the are earth the salt of you

"I AM" THE LIGHT OF THE WORLD

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