

WORD FELLOWSHIP CHURCH

GOD'S PATIENCE AND KINDNESS LEADS PEOPLE TO REPENTANCE. ROMANS 2:4

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*This little light of mine,
I'm gonna let it shine.*

*Hide it under a bushel? No!
I'm gonna let it shine.*

Just a simple kid's song.
One I hadn't heard in years.

But there I was in my kitchen when this song came rolling through my brain.

At first, I didn't really notice.
Just a song in the background,
behind all the other thoughts
clamoring for attention in my mind.

But as I heard the words I was singing,
I knew it was the Lord.

You see, minutes before, I had asked God:
What is it that You want to say to me and to Your people, today?

And His answer came, in the form of this simple kids' song:
Hide it under a bushel? No! I'm gonna let it shine!

You see, sometimes I think
my light,
my part in the Kingdom,
my place of service,
my testimony,
my purpose,
is small.

Maybe too small.
Too small to count.
Too small to make a difference.
Too small to matter.

And so, I hide it.
I put it under a bushel.

I think:

I'm not gonna say *that*.
I'm not gonna share *that*.
I'm not gonna do *that*.

After all,

it's not *that* big.
it's not *that* impressive.
it's not *that* necessary.

And so...I stay quiet.

I take the things God's

given me,
blessed me with,
spoken to me,
done for me,
done through me,
and I hide them.

Instead of standing on the hill,
shouting from the rooftops all that God has done...
I hide.

*What will people say, I think,
if I tell them that I prayed for my friend
and she did get better...
but not right away.*

Or...

*What will people say, I think,
if I simply tell them that God loves them.*

Just that.

That's it.

No big revelation.

No big impression.

Just the sweet truth that Papa God,
the Creator of the Universe,
loves them like crazy!

But the truth is,

when I hide,
when I put my light, my gifts,
my giftings under a bushel,
the people around me miss out.

They miss out on the blessing.
They miss out on the testimony.

They miss out on the encouragement,
the love, the smile, the hug.
Whatever it is that they actually needed.
Whatever it is that God actually wanted to give them
through me,
because I've deemed it too small.
Too insignificant.

And the truth is...I miss out.

I miss out on being a part of the blessing.
Being a part of the big picture.
Being a part of the plan God has for the people in my sphere of influence.

And...God misses out.
On the glory.
On the glory He would have gotten,
had I stepped out and shared the testimony,
given the hug, spoken the words of life.

And so, from a simple kid's song to a simple adult truth.
And from me to you.

Let your light shine!

Don't hide it. Don't worry about what others may think.

Share. Speak. Give. Love.

Let your light shine...and let God worry about the rest.

You are the light of the world. A town built on a hill cannot be hidden. 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. In the same way, let your light shine before others, that they may see your good deeds and glorify your Father in heaven.

Matthew 5:14-16

And whatever you do, whether in word or deed, do it all in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through Him. Colossians 3:17

As each has received a gift, use it to serve one another, as good stewards of God's varied grace: whoever speaks, as one who speaks oracles of God; whoever serves, as one who serves by the strength that God supplies - in order that in everything God may be glorified through Jesus Christ. 1 Peter 4:10-11

Dates & Times to Remember

Prayer Walk

Date: June 20

Contact Person: [Dawn](#)

3rd Sunday Fun Day

Date: June 21

Contact Person: [Susie](#)

Heaven in Business

Date: June 27

Contact Person: [Denise](#)

4th Sunday Worship Night

Date: June 28

Contact Person: [Sandy](#)

Other Information

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