

# THE QUEENS MINISTRY

## BIBLE BREAKFAST FELLOWSHIP

### LESSON: “LIGHT-BEARERS!”

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**“You are the light of the world.” Matthew 5:14a**

*“You are the light of the world. A city that is set on a hill cannot be hidden. Nor do they light a lamp and put it under a basket, but on a lampstand, and it gives light to all who are in the house. Let your light so shine before men, that they may see your good works and glorify your Father in heaven.” Matthew 5:14-16 (NKJV)*

*“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.” (NLT)*

#### Introduction:

These verses, found in the book of Matthew, are part of the sermon Jesus shared with those that had gathered on the mountainside to hear Him speak – they are from the famous “Sermon on the Mount.” Also, known as the Beatitudes, the verses speak of the traits, or attributes that He was looking for in His followers. He called those who strived to live out them, blessed. Jesus shared many things with those that assembled that day, and within His sermon He also tells the listeners these words: **that they are the light of the world.**

He tells them that their lights were to be so bright that they could not be hidden, like a city on a hill. Think about cities in general, and New York City in particular, what does one notice about them, notably at night? The brilliant, radiant lights of the cities’ skylines are striking! Most can be seen far, far away, especially when they are high upon a hill, or on a mountain bluff. Looking at them overhead, while flying into a city at night, is a beautiful sight to see!

He also uses a common household item to illustrate His point; that believers were to shine out, with their good deeds, for all to see, as lamps. What does a lamp supply in a house; light! Lamps are not placed under anything, but atop so that they can give light to those inside. In the same manner, Jesus says that believers are to be in the world.

He also points out in His sermon that there is purpose in letting their light shine. What did Jesus say was the purpose for believers to let their good deeds shine out for all to see?

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## Lesson Objectives:

- 1) Role of Light-bearer
- 2) What does the Bible say about Good works
- 3) Light it Up! - Examples of good works
- 4) Ways that we hide our light

### Part 1 - Role of Light Bearers

A: **Light-bearers** \_\_\_\_\_

There is nothing for believers to do to earn the honor or responsibility of being a light bearer. It's a title that's given to us not earned. Our belief and acceptance of Jesus by faith is our source of light. We are light bearers because our Savior, Jesus is the light of the world.

Another term or title used for our role as light-bearers is \_\_\_\_\_.

B: **Light-bearers** \_\_\_\_\_

Don't hide it! As in the lamp, let your light be seen. God's light shines brightly through believers when they are following Him and showing forth good works. Our goal in the earth is to be a reflection of Jesus; to bring the hope and love of God to a darken, dying world. Remember, our goal is to become more like Him! We should not hide our light.

C: **Light-bearers** \_\_\_\_\_

Our purpose in carrying this light is not to promote ourselves but that our good works will bring glory to God. It is so others can see God in a manner that will cause them to praise and worship Him. Our daily prayer could be, Lord help my actions or my words draw others to You.

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### Part 2 - What does the Bible say about Good Works?

What does the Bible mean when it says for us to show forth our good deeds/works? However, we must be aware that though the Bible speaks of good works of believers that should be done, that is not how we earn salvation, but it should be a byproduct of our being a part of God's kingdom. And our desire to please Him.

## What are good works?

“The word works means things we do, our actions. The words translated as “works” are words that can mean employment, deeds, actions, or anything done.” –

from article “What are good works?” - [lifehopeandtruth.com](http://lifehopeandtruth.com)

James 2:14 **What good is it to have faith and not show it** \_\_\_\_\_.

1- Galatians 6:9-10 \_\_\_\_\_

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2- Mathew 6:1 \_\_\_\_\_

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3- Proverbs 3:27-28 \_\_\_\_\_

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4- 1 Corinthians 16:14 \_\_\_\_\_

5- John 14:15 \_\_\_\_\_

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6- John 15:8 \_\_\_\_\_

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7- Ephesians 2:10 \_\_\_\_\_

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8- Colossians 3:23-24 \_\_\_\_\_

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9- Titus 3:8 \_\_\_\_\_

10-Hebrews 10:24 \_\_\_\_\_

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11-Hebrews 13:16 \_\_\_\_\_

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12- 1 John 3:18 \_\_\_\_\_

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### Part 3 - [See Examples of Good Works](#)

Biblical verses that point to good works. List the good works seen in the verses.

1) Matthew 25:34-36

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2) Matthew 6:2-3

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3) Ephesians 4:28

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4) James 1:27

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5) James 2:15-16

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### [Homework:](#)

Find a verse that points to good works that believers can do:

### Part 4 - [Ways that we hide our light.](#)

What are some ways that we hide or dim our light?

### [Conclusion:](#)

Remember our works cannot save us, or justify us; we can't do enough good works to wipe out sin; nor should they be done selfishly or for personal gain.

But we should strive to do them as a loving response to God's gracious gift of love and sacrifice. Look, I am coming soon, bringing my reward with me to repay all people according to their deeds. Revelation 22:12

So let your light shine before others, that they may see your good works and give glory and praise to your Heavenly Father.