

*“We give thanks to God and the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, praying always for you, Since We Heard Of Your Faith in Christ Jesus, and of the love which ye have to all the saints,”*  
*Colossians 1:3-4 KJV*



Is your faith newsworthy? Do others know of and talk about your faith? Good or bad? Do you broadcast your faith by word AND deed? *“Let your light so shine before men, that they may see your good works (obedience), and GLORIFY YOUR FATHER which is in Heaven.”* If men applaud YOU, your words and deeds do not honor God, but yourself. *“Be not wise in your own conceits. Whether therefore ye eat, or drink, or whatsoever ye do, do all to the glory of God.”* Do you do what you do to please God or to please yourself? Sadly, we often do not preface our thoughts or deeds with the constraints of pleasing God, but plunge headlong into whatever impulse occurs. Most impulses are temptations to sin. Quantify all impulses of thought with the parameters of Truth before allowing word or deed. Once spoken, words are no longer your own: Deeds cannot be undone; fixed, perhaps, but not undone. We often avoid Truth for fear of rejection or lust and fall prey to the inherent sin which often follows. *“The fear of man layeth a snare. Then when lust hath conceived, it bringeth forth sin: and sin, when it is finished, bringeth forth death.”* Do we do right in spite of the pressure to disobey? *“Seek ye FIRST the Kingdom of God...”* Do we? *“And hereby we do know that we know Him, if we keep His Commandments. If ye know these things, happy are ye if ye do them.”*

Faith must be known to all around,  
So our Father by all is found,  
We shine our Light by doing right,  
In spite of sin’s relentless night. –CGP

Your desire to “fit in,” to possess, or dominate may very well obscure the Light of Truth to those who need it most! Is your Light under a bushel?

*“Neither do men light a candle, and put it under a bushel, but on a candlestick; and it giveth light unto all that are in the house. Let your light so shine before men, that they may see your good works, and glorify your Father which is in heaven.”* Matthew 5:15-16 KJV