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Is Your Light Still Shining Bright?

"In the same way, let your light shine before men, that they may see your good deeds and praise your Father in heaven." – Matthew 5:16

Astronomers have told us that the most recognizable feature in the Southern Hemisphere skies, the Southern Cross, is disappearing.

No, not in the physical sense, but because of the increase in artificial light coming from places like Sydney, Australia, the Southern Cross appears fainter and less distinctive in the night sky.

How similar to the lives of many who claim to be Christians – where the world's influence on purely ethical and moral standards is so great that biblical Truth seems to dim.

At one time, maybe some Christians were a light in the darkness, but now their light has faded into obscurity, no longer seen in a world filled with darkness.

Has this happened to you?

Well, it doesn't have to be that way. If you call yourself a Christian, let me ask you a couple of questions:

1. Is the light of Christ shining through your life or is it non-existent and invisible to others?
2. Was this light bright at one time, but has begun to dim with each passing day?

Friends, don't allow your light to vanish without having a positive influence for Christ.

We are supposed to be light in a dark world.

And in today's world – that light is needed more than ever!

So, are you letting the light of Christ shine through your life? Are you pointing others to Christ in how you live day in and day out?

People are watching.

Who do they see when they look at you?

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Announcement

Men of Shades, mark your calendars for two important dates this summer. On Wednesday, June 22 we're having Men of Shades night at The Barons. This will be a fun night of baseball, fellowship and ballpark food at Regions Field. It's also going to be a great way to invite an unchurched friend or family to join you and introduce them to Shades. Then on Saturday, August 13 we're going to have a Men of Shades fellowship breakfast with Pastor George as our guest speaker. There will be more details about both of these events coming soon, but go ahead and reserve these dates on your calendar and make plans to attend them both. We're going to have a great summer at Shades!

For more info on how to get involved with Men of Shades, visit www.shades.org/men

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