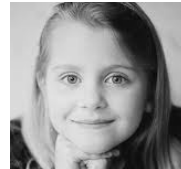


Shine the Light



Luke 8:16-21

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(vv. 19-21) What is Jesus saying?

Review of Luke 8:1-15

- *Hearing God's Word lacks value unless it is accompanied by enduring faith*
- *Responding to God's Word is essential*

Hearing

Obeying

_____ family > _____ family

(vv. 16-18) Notice the contrasts in each of the sayings

"Take care then how you hear . . ." (v. 18a)

Hearing

Obeying

Take Home Truth

_____ of the Word _____ the gospel
and _____ their _____ to Jesus.

What are you doing with the words of Jesus?

Today's Core Virtue Discussed: Faith

Today's Actions:

1. Think about the quality of your Spiritual IQ and your Spiritual "I Do." Is there a discrepancy? If so, why? What can be done to remedy this?
2. Complete today's Deeper Connection Study.



Deeper Connection Study

In reviewing the previous section, we see that hearing God's Word lacks value unless it is accompanied by enduring faith (vv. 1-15). Jesus continues to press the idea of hearing the word and the necessity of obeying it and proclaiming it.

Today's Core Virtue discussed: Faith.

Read Luke 8:16-21

1. What is the meaning of the three sayings in verses 16-18 (cf. 11:33; 12:2; 19:26; par. Mark 4:21-25)? What are the contrasts presented?
2. What is the light and what is its purpose (v. 16; cf. v. 10)? How and why is it difficult for you to let your light shine for Christ?
3. Why are the disciples warned, "Take care then how you hear" (v. 18a)? In what ways are we accountable for the gospel (v. 18)?
4. How does Jesus respond to the presence of his mother and brothers (vv. 19-21; par. Matt. 12:46-50; Mark 3:31-35)? What does he communicate to his audience?
5. What does it mean to be a part of the family of God (cf. John 1:12-13; Rom. 8:15-16; 2 Cor. 6:18; Heb. 2:11; 1 John 3:1)?
6. How does verse 21 represent the central theme of Jesus' life and ministry (cf. Matt. 6:10; 7:21; 12:50; 26:42)? How are you doing at hearing and obeying God's Word?

PRAYER TO THE POINT: Praise God for the light of the gospel and calling us to be in his family. Pray for a responsiveness to God so you can reflect Christ in all you do. Pray for boldness to share the gospel with others. Pray for Christians to persevere.



This Little Light of Mine

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

Hide it under a bushel, no! I'm gonna let it shine.
Hide it under a bushel, no! I'm gonna let it shine.
Hide it under a bushel, no! I'm gonna let it shine.
Let it shine, let it shine, let it shine.

Don't let Satan blow it out, I'm gonna let it shine.
Don't let Satan blow it out, I'm gonna let it shine.
Don't let Satan blow it out, I'm gonna let it shine.
Let it shine, let it shine, let it shine.

Let it shine til Jesus comes, I'm gonna let it shine.
Let it shine til Jesus comes, I'm gonna let it shine.
Let it shine til Jesus comes, I'm gonna let it shine.
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