## Let Your Light So Shine Before Others

In the heart of a bustling city, there lived a man named Jacob. At sixty-three, Jacob was a man of deep faith and unwavering conviction. For years, he had devoted himself to studying the Bible, seeking its truths, and sharing his insights with anyone who would listen.

But in a world where skepticism and materialism seemed to reign supreme, Jacob found himself increasingly isolated. People dismissed his words, preferring the comfort of their own beliefs or the distractions of modern life. Despite his fervent efforts, Jacob felt as though he was shouting into the void.

Day after day, he would stand on street corners, holding his weathered Bible aloft, preaching the gospel of Christ Yeshua. Some would pause momentarily, perhaps out of politeness, but most would simply walk on by, their minds closed to the message he so desperately sought to impart.

As the years passed, Jacob's isolation deepened. Friends drifted away, and even his own family began to distance themselves, uncomfortable with his unyielding devotion to his beliefs. Yet still, Jacob persisted, undeterred by the loneliness that threatened to consume him.

Then, one fateful day, as Jacob knelt in prayer, tears streaming down his weathered cheeks, he felt a presence beside him. Looking up, he saw a figure bathed in light, radiating a warmth and love beyond anything he had ever known.

"My child," the figure spoke, His voice gentle yet commanding, "you have remained faithful in the face of great adversity. Your devotion has not gone unnoticed."

Jacob could hardly believe his eyes. Was this an angel, he wondered, or perhaps even the Lord himself?

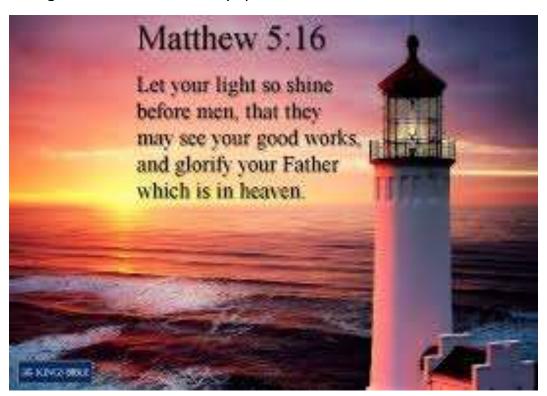
"I have seen your struggles," the figure continued, "and I am here to show you the Way."

With those words, Jacob felt a profound sense of peace wash over him. In that moment, he knew that he was not alone, that his faith had not been in vain.

From that day forward, Jacob's life took on a new purpose. Though the world around him remained unchanged, he no longer felt the sting of isolation. For he knew that he walked in the light of the Lord, guided by a faith stronger than any doubts or fears that might assail him.

And though many still turned a deaf ear to his message, Jacob continued to preach the truth of God's holy word, knowing that he did so not for the approval of men, but for the glory of his creator.

In the end, Jacob's faith had not only sustained him but had led him to a deeper understanding of the love and mercy of Christ Yeshua. And though his earthly journey eventually came to an end, his legacy lived on in the hearts of those whose lives he had touched, reminding them that even in the darkest of times, the light of truth would always prevail.



John 14:27 Peace be with you