

Be a Light

Lesson learnt:

Matthew 5:16

"In the same way, let your light shine before others, so that they may see your good works and give glory to your Father who is in heaven."

This is a great lesson for teaching your kids to be a light to the world, and that even in tough situations we have the Holy Spirit in us, which is the light of Jesus that will keep us burning.

Items needed:

- A fake candle
- 2 real candles
- a special candle that relights itself when blown out

Instructions:

- 1) Cover the real candle with a bucket and explain the verse in Matthew 5, "No one after lighting a lamp puts it under the bushel basket, but on a lamp stand and it gives light to all in the house. In the same way let your light shine before others so that they may see your good works and give glory to your Father who is in heaven." You see, Jesus doesn't want us to keep His good News- His light all to ourselves. He wants us to share it with the world.
- 2) Hold the candle that relights itself and explain that we might think or feel like we are too young, or too small, but if the flame is real it will make a difference in the world. When we know Jesus and we share His truth, No matter how small we might think it is, it will make a difference in the world. He is so gracious and kind that he gives us his Holy Spirit, he gives us His joy. He gives us His kindness, His gentleness, His self-control, His peace and His comfort. No matter what happens in our lives no matter what situations we go through whether it's good whether it's really tough (blow out the candle)
No matter what we go through He never changes.
- 3) (candle lights itself up again) It's His Holy Spirit inside of us that keeps our lights burning.

To see this in action: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=lq9tu4m5OY>