The Parables of Jesus

INTRODUCTION

- You are to be salt and light in resp_____ to the bl_____ with which you've been blessed.
- Being salt and light is His is a call of who you are to be _____ the world, not apart from the world. (John 17:15-23)

YOU ARE HIS LIGHT

- Do we generate our own light? _
- What (who) is the source of our light? (John 8:12)
- As followers of Jesus, we are to be both vi_____ and rad_____.
- You cannot be His light if you are walking in da_____ (1 John 1:6-7)
- What is one of the reasons we gather each week? (see 1 John 1:6-7 Hint: think of house cleaning)

IN THE WORLD

- Jerusalem was a city on a _____. It was referred to as "a light to the gen_____.
- We are to be like a city on a hill. To be a bea_____ proclaiming sal______ for all to see.
- You are _____ meant to hide His light! In fact, where is the light most needed?______
- The light you shine provides a beacon of h_____ to those who are l_____ in the darkness.
- Will everyone appreciate you being His light? _____ Why? (see John 3:19-20)
- How should we respond when people say we aren't to shine His light in the world?

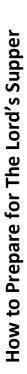
SO SHINE YOUR LIGHT!

- "Let your light shine" has the meaning: You are supp_____ to let your light shine."
- 1. The benefit of you being His light is for ot_____.
- 2. What they see are our g____ wo____.
 - What makes your works different the others? There is a comm______ to Jesus that rad_____ out of you.
 - It comes out of both your actions and your wo_____.
- 3. None of this is for _____ own glory.
 - All of these good works are but an expression of your faith, an expression of the l_____ that Jesus has for you, and thus the lo____ you have for others. All of this is for the glory of our Fa_____ who is in heaven. 2 Corinthian 4:5-6

HEAR THE WORD, APPLY THE WORD

Jesus said, "You are the light of the world." Will you take up His call to bless others by being the His light to the world?





In order that you may receive this Holy Sacrament in a worthy manner you should carefully consider what you must now believe and do. From the words of Christ: "This is My body, which is given for you; This is My blood, which is shed for you for the remission of sins;" you should believe that Jesus Christ is present with His body and blood, as the words declare. From Christ's words, "For the remission of sins," you should also believe that Jesus gives to you His body and blood to strengthen your assurance that your sins are forgiven. And, finally, you should do as Christ commands you when He says: "Take, eat; Drink of it, all of you; This do in remembrance of me."

If you believe these words of Christ, and do as He has commanded, then you have properly examined yourselves and may eat Christ's body and drink His blood in a worthy manner. You should, also, unite in giving thanks to Almighty God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, for so great a gift, and should love one another with a pure heart, and thus, with the whole Christian Church, have comfort and joy in Christ our Lord. To this end may God the Father give you His

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The Lord's Supper

We believe that the Lord's Supper is more than a remembrance. We believe that in the Lord's Supper Christ Jesus is truly present in body and blood, given in bread and wine for us to eat and drink. We also believe it is a means by which we receive true forgiveness of sin.

The Lord's supper is for those who are baptized and confess Jesus as Lord and Savior.

Learn more on how to prepare for The Lord's Supper