

# GROUP DISCUSSION GUIDE

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BEING THE CHURCH  
Part 4: Living Lit  
Matthew 5:14-16  
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## NOTES

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## GROUP DISCUSSION

1. Open with prayer. (2-5 min)
2. Share your story ... *How do the people who know you know what's important to you?* (7-10 min)
3. Read Matthew 5:14-16.
4. Discuss these questions with your group. (20-45 min)

"You are the light of the world. A city set on a hill cannot be hidden. Nor do people light a lamp and put it under a basket, but on a stand, and it gives light to all in the house." (Matthew 5:14-15)

What are some natural ways to clearly identify with Christ?

Why would some Christians want to hide their light and "stay under the radar" as Christ followers? Why is this spiritually unhealthy?

*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. (vs. 16)*

What are some different motivations for making sure people see the good things we are doing?

How can we call attention to God's goodness through our good works?

## PLAN OF ACTION

Make it a point to identify with Jesus this week, either in your words or actions. Remember, your motivation is to focus people's attention on God, not you.

*Looking back at your notes from this week's message, was there anything you heard for the first time, stuck with you, challenged or confused you?*

*What is the one important thing you will take away from this weekend's message or our community group discussion? Is there any challenge, difficulty or praise that you would like to share with the group for prayer?*



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