



Week Four: February 28, 2021
Shine Like Stars
Philippians 4:8-9

God tells us in Isaiah 60: “**Arise, shine**, for your light has come, and the glory of the Lord rises upon you.”

God tells us in Philippians that followers of Christ “**shine like stars**”.
Philippians 2:14-16 (*use the portion below*)

If you want to stand out in this world like stars in the night sky:

- **Reign in grumbling.**
- **Practice genuine humility.**
- **Give up worry.**
- **Set your mind on good stuff.** Philippians 4:8-9

When we became followers of Christ, we were **transformed**. 2 Corinthians 5:17

As we grow in our faith, we ruthlessly **eliminate the distractions** that cause us to drift. Matthew 5:29-30

We **actively choose** the influences of light over the influences of darkness.
Ephesians 5:8

We will **shine brightly**.

Philippians 2:14-16 ¹⁴Do everything without grumbling or arguing, ¹⁵so that you may become blameless and pure, “children of God without fault in a warped and crooked generation.” Then you will shine among them like stars in the sky ¹⁶as you hold firmly to the word of life.

Philippians 4:8-9 ⁸Finally, brothers and sisters, whatever is true, whatever is noble, whatever is right, whatever is pure, whatever is lovely, whatever is admirable - if anything is excellent or praiseworthy - think about such things. ⁹Whatever you have learned or received or heard from me, or seen in me - put it into practice. And the God of peace will be with you.

2 Corinthians 5:17 Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, the new creation has come: The old has gone, the new is here!

Matthew 5:29-30 ²⁹If your right eye causes you to stumble, gouge it out and throw it away. It is better for you to lose one part of your body than for your whole body to be thrown into hell. ³⁰And if your right hand causes you to stumble, cut it off and throw it away. It is better for you to lose one part of your body than for your whole body to go into hell.

Ephesians 5:8 For you were once darkness, but now you are light in the Lord. Live as children of light.