

# Compassion is caring enough to do something about someone else's needs.

## DAY 1

### Read Matthew 5:16

When you go camping, what's one important thing on your to-do list? You start a fire! You need a fire to keep warm, cook hotdogs, and roast marshmallows. But a fire also gives you a light source in the middle of a dark forest or campground.

Compassion is like that. It's caring enough to do something about someone else's needs. Every time you see a need and do something to help, you shine a light in the darkness. Every time you show compassion, you point others to a loving and compassionate God.

### Compassion Challenge

Write today's verse on a card and place it on your fridge or kitchen counter. Each time you see someone show compassion in your family this week, flip the lights on and off. Then name the act of compassion you witnessed and read the verse on the card aloud.

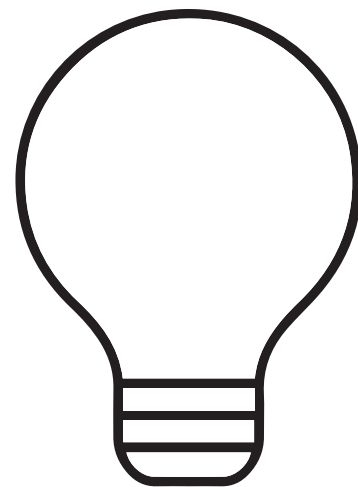
## DAY 2

### Read Ephesians 5:8

Has the power ever gone out at your house during a storm? When that happened, did your family sit around in the dark, waiting for the lights to come back on? You probably went on a search for all the flashlights and candles you could find!

When you choose to put your faith and trust in Jesus, to follow Him always, it's like moving from darkness to light! And now that you have that light, as a follower of Jesus, you should SHARE that light with others! You can shine God's light.

How do you shine a light? By treating others the way you want to be treated! In the light bulb, write some specific ways you can shine your light this week and show compassion.





DAY 3

## Read 1 Peter 3:8

Do you have a night light or lamp in your room? It might not seem like it could make much of a difference, but even a small light can make a dark room seem way less scary!

When you see a need and do something to help, you shine God's light to everyone around you. Small acts of love and kindness can make a big difference, especially to the person you choose to help.

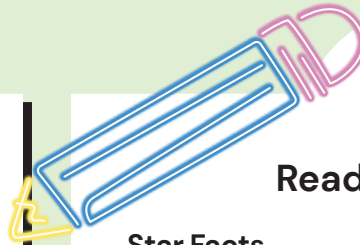
### Word Search

Find the following words from today's verse. Then circle the word you want to focus on this week as you choose compassion.

Agree Kind Love

Understand Tender Humble

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DAY 4

## Read Daniel 12:3

### Star Facts

- ➔ Every day, approximately 275 million stars are formed in the universe.
- ➔ All stars are made of the same basic ingredients: hydrogen and helium.
- ➔ The word "planet" comes from a Greek word meaning "wandering star."

God is the maker of all things, including light. When we choose to put our faith in Jesus, we become bearers of His light to the world around us. So how do you shine a light? By loving God and loving others. Daniel reminds us that when we shine like stars, we lead others to do what is right too.

Do you know the song, "This Little Light of Mine?" Grab a flashlight, turn off the lights, and sing that song as your prayer today. Remember to let your little light shine as you show compassion this week.



# You can shine God's light.

