

Finding Courage To Shine

Let Your Light Shine – Part 3
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NIV Matthew 5:14-16 You are the light of the world. A city on a hill cannot be hidden. Neither do people light a lamp and put it under a bowl. Instead they put it on its stand, and it gives light to everyone in the house. In the same way, let your light shine before men.

NIV Deuteronomy 31:6 Be strong and courageous. Do not be afraid or terrified because of them, for the LORD your God goes with you; he will never leave you nor forsake you.

1. Stand _____ against the darkness

A. Seek _____ from others

NIV Esther 4:8 He [Mordecai] told him to urge her [Esther] to go into the king's presence to beg for mercy and plead with him for her people.

B. Acknowledge your _____

NIV Esther 4:11 For any man or woman who approaches the king in the inner court without being summoned the king has but one law: that he be put to death. The only exception to this is for the king to extend the gold scepter to him and spare his life.

2. Decide to pursue your _____

A. Believe you _____ fulfill your destiny

NIV Esther 4:14 For if you remain silent at this time, relief and deliverance for the Jews will arise from another place, but you and your father's family will perish. And who knows but that you have come to royal position for such a time as this?

B. _____ God's plan and power

NIV Esther 4:16a Go, gather together all the Jews who are in Susa, and fast for me. Do not eat or drink for three days, night or day. I and my maids will fast as you do.

C. _____ your life to God's purpose

NIV Esther 4:16b When this is done, I will go to the king, even though it is against the law. And if I perish, I perish.

3. Follow God's _____ exactly

A. Overcome fear with _____

NIV Esther 5:1-2 On the third day Esther put on her royal robes and stood ... in front of the king's hall. ... When he saw Queen Esther standing in the court, he was pleased with her and held out to her the gold scepter that was in his hand.

B. Trust God to do the _____

NIV Esther 5:4 "If it pleases the king," replied Esther, "let the king, together with Haman, come today to a banquet I have prepared for him."

This week read Esther 5-6