

**HOW ARE WE TO BEHAVE IN THE MIDST OF AN UNGODLY WORLD?  
LETTING HIS LIGHT SHINE THROUGH US: Prep for Col. 4:2-6  
Matthew 5:14-16**

**I. UNDERSTAND TRUE BELIEVERS ARE THE LIGHT OF THE WORLD: Our right behavior in Christ is the means in which a sin corrupt world will see His righteousness (14a)**

**A. Jesus declares believers are the light of the world (14a)**

**B. What does this analogy mean?**

1. The metaphor of light in Scripture applied to Christ and His people (various passages)
2. What is the world? (various passages)

**II. RECOGNIZE OUR POSITION AND PURPOSE IN THE WORLD: If we act inconsistently with our true identity, we are completely missing His purpose for us (14b-15)**

**A. An illustration to point out God has placed you in a position that cannot be concealed: A city on a hill cannot be hidden (14b)**

**B. An Illustration that reveals your purpose: Lamps are lit so that they will shine light (15)**

**III. THEREFORE, SHINE BEFORE MEN SO THAT GOD IS GLORIFIED (16)**