

LWML–Canada Sunday 2010
SHINE LIKE STARS ... in your community of faith
Background Notes

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Daniel 12:1-4

The Time of the End

¹"At that time shall arise Michael, the great prince who has charge of your people. And there shall be a time of trouble, such as never has been since there was a nation till that time. But at that time your people shall be delivered, everyone whose name shall be found written in the book. ²And many of those who sleep in the dust of the earth shall awake, some to everlasting life, and some to shame and everlasting contempt. ³And those who are wise shall shine like the brightness of the sky above; and those who turn many to righteousness, like the stars forever and ever. ⁴But you, Daniel, shut up the words and seal the book, until the time of the end. Many shall run to and fro, and knowledge shall increase."

Matthew Henry – Commentary on Daniel 12:1-4.

Michael signifies, "Who is like God," and his name, with the title of "the great Prince," points out the Divine Saviour. Christ stood for the children of our people in their stead as a sacrifice, bore the curse for them, to bear it from them. He stands for them in pleading for them at the throne of grace. And after the destruction of antichrist, the Lord Jesus shall stand at the latter day upon the earth; and He shall appear for the complete redemption of all his people. When God works deliverance from persecution for them, it is as life from the dead. When his gospel is preached, many who sleep in the dust, both Jews and Gentiles, shall be awakened by it out of their heathenism of Judaism. And in the end the multitude that sleep in the dust shall awake; many shall arise to life, and many to shame. There is glory reserved for all the saints in the future state, for all that are wise, wise for their souls and eternity. Those who turn many to righteousness, who turn sinners from the errors of their ways, and help to save their souls from death, James 5:20, will share in the glory of those they have helped to heaven, which will add to their own glory.

Matthew 5:14-16

¹⁴ "You are the light of the world. A city set on a hill cannot be hidden. ¹⁵ 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. ¹⁶ 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.

Matthew 13:43 – Then the righteous shall shine like the sun (In Heaven)

Transfiguration

2 Corinthians 4:6 (English Standard Version)

⁶For God, who said, "Let light shine out of darkness," has shone in our hearts to give the light of the knowledge of the glory of God in the face of Jesus Christ.

2 Peter 1:19

¹⁹And we have something more sure, the prophetic word, to which you will do well to pay attention as to a lamp shining in a dark place, until the day dawns and the morning star rises in your hearts,

Luke 11:33

³³ "No one after lighting a lamp puts it in a cellar or under a basket, but on a stand, so that those who enter may see the light.

Energizer Believers who keep on Shining and Shining and Shining.

The Fear of the Lord is the beginning of wisdom.

Light – Characteristics

Scientific theories about light began forming in the fifteenth century, but there were two different camps. There was the wave theory lead by [Robert Hook](#) and Christian Huygens and the particle theory lead by [Isaac Newton](#). In 1801 Thomas Young proved that light was the result of wave action and John Angstrom measured the length of waves and found that the length varied according to color. Today we use a unit of length called the angstrom to honor his work. The visible light spectrum is 4000-7000 angstroms in length. Although the wave theory seemed relatively solid there was still some discrepancies such as the photoelectric effect the wave theory couldn't explain. In the photoelectric effect, electrons are knocked loose from certain substance when struck by light. According to the wave theory, the brighter the light the greater the energy of the released electrons, However that does not occur. Regardless of the light intensity, the freed electrons all have the same energy.

In the 1900s the confusion was cleared up by Max Planck and [Albert Einstein](#). They proved that light had the properties of both a particle and a wave. Previous to this that explanation would have been considered a contradiction.

Light:

- Is a real substance.
- Falls of its own weight.
- Is attracted by gravity.
- When it strikes an object, it exerts a force.
- Travels at a speed of 300,000 km per second.
- Is invisible most of the time.
- It is only visible:
 1. When it is the source of light (a luminous object).
 2. When it is reflected off something (an illuminated object).
- The brightness of light depends upon:
 3. The distance of the source to the observer.
 4. The brightness of the source itself.

Speed - 300,000 kilometres per second

Earth to Sun=150,000,000 K

8 minutes 19 seconds = light to earth

384,000 kms earth to moon

1.28 seconds = moon to earth

7,500 kms across Canada - .025 seconds = blink of an eye

Wikipedia - A **star** is a massive, luminous ball of plasma that is held together by gravity. The nearest star to Earth is the Sun, which is the source of most of the energy on Earth. Other stars are visible in the night sky, when they are not outshone by the Sun.

Shine Jesus Shine

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Lord, the light of your love is shining
In the midst of the darkness, shining
Jesus, Light of the world, shine upon us
Set us free by the truth you now bring us
Shine on me, shine on me

Shine, Jesus, shine
Fill this land with the Father's glory
Blaze, Spirit, blaze
Set our hearts on fire
Flow, river, flow
Flood the nations with grace and mercy
Send forth your word
Lord, and let there be light

Lord, I come to your awesome presence
From the shadows into your radiance
By the blood I may enter your brightness
Search me, try me, consume all my darkness
Shine on me, shine on me

As we gaze on your kingly brightness
So our faces display your likeness
Ever changing from glory to glory
Mirrored here may our lives tell your story
Shine on me, shine on me

This Little Light Of Mine

G
This little light of mine, I'm gonna let it shine.
C **G**
This little light of mine, I'm gonna let it shine.
G **Em**
This little light of mine, I'm gonna let it shine,
G D G C G
Let it shine, let it shine, let it shine.

Won't let Satan blow it out, I'm gonna let it shine.
Won't let Satan blow it out, I'm gonna let it shine.
Won't let Satan blow it out, I'm gonna let it shine,
Let it shine, let it shine, let it shine.

**Hide it under a bushel, NO!, I'm gonna let it shine.
Hide it under a bushel, NO!, I'm gonna let it shine.
Hide it under a bushel, NO!, I'm gonna let it shine,
Let it shine, let it shine, let it shine.**

**Let it shine 'til Jesus comes, I'm gonna let it shine.
Let it shine 'til Jesus comes, I'm gonna let it shine.
Let it shine 'til Jesus comes, I'm gonna let it shine,
Let it shine, let it shine, let it shine.**

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