

Parables of Jesus

Our next Stay-at -Home series will be about the Parables Jesus told. Jesus used the parables to explain to us concepts that may otherwise be difficult to understand. Over the next several weeks we will look at the earthly stories and explain and apply the heavenly meaning that goes with them.

I have included a short story video for this lesson and plan on having a video for all future parable lessons. Please use the link below to access the video.

Link to the Story Video - Light of the World - [https://youtu.be/ tqnom7WrEI](https://youtu.be/tqnom7WrEI)

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Light of the World


Lesson Plan

Key Verses: ***Matthew 5:14-16***


Objectives:

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 4's&5's -


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Application:

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Activities:

 2's&3's - Light of the World Candle (page 6)
Light of the World (color page) (page 7)

 4's&5's - Light of the World Candle (page 6)
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Memory Verse Trace (page 8)
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Parable - Light of the World (Matthew 5:14-16)

Last week we learned what a Parable was. Who remembers? Right, a parable is an earthly story with a heavenly meaning. In other words, it's a story about something we can all understand about something most of us know about, but that story helps us learn something new about heaven, or Jesus, the church and God's plan for us, something we may not be familiar with. So let's look at today's parable.



Look what I have! (it's a flashlight) Who likes to play with a flashlight? (I know I do) I can make shadows on the wall with it. I can flip it off and on. I really like having a flashlight when I go camping. At night, it's really dark when you are camping. You can hardly see at all. But if you have a

flashlight, you can turn it on and then its not dark. You can see where you are going or what's around you. Our next parable is about light. Jesus says in Matthew 5:14-16 that

“You are the light of the world. A city that is set on a hill cannot be hidden. ¹⁵Nor do they light a lamp and put it under a basket, but on a lampstand, and it gives light to all *who are in the house.* ¹⁶Let your light so shine before men, that they may see your good works and glorify your Father in heaven.

When I turn on my flashlight, or light a candle, or turn on a light in the room, do I cover it up? (No)

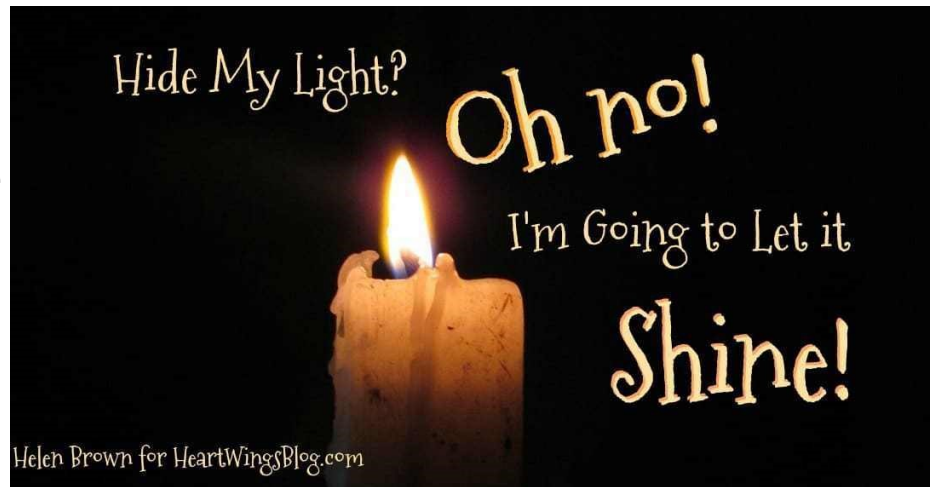
What happens if I cover it? (then the light is blocked, right?) So, we wouldn't hide a



light or it loses it's purpose.

Jesus explains that we are like lights. When we do what is right and follow His word we shine and share His word with others. Our lives are like light to the people around us. We

shouldn't hide any of the talents God has given us. Nor should we hide our love of God. People need to know that we love God by the way we live our lives.



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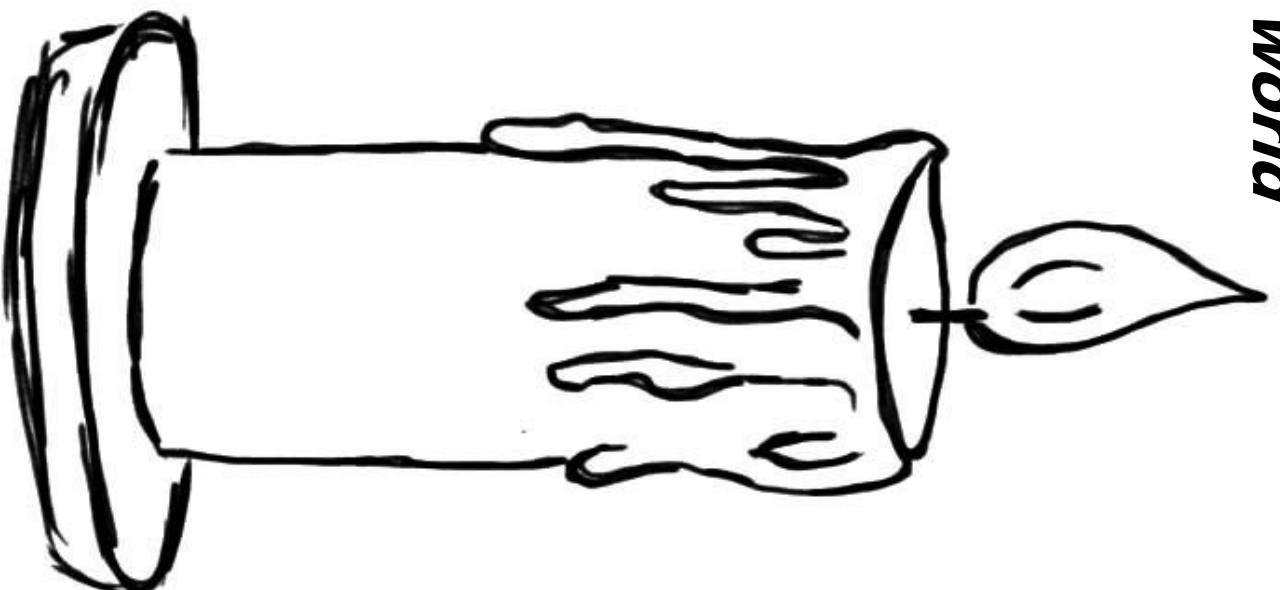
This Little Light of Mine

This little light of mine
I'm gonna let it shine
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I'm gonna let it shine
Let it shine, let it shine, let it shine

Hide it under a bushel, no!
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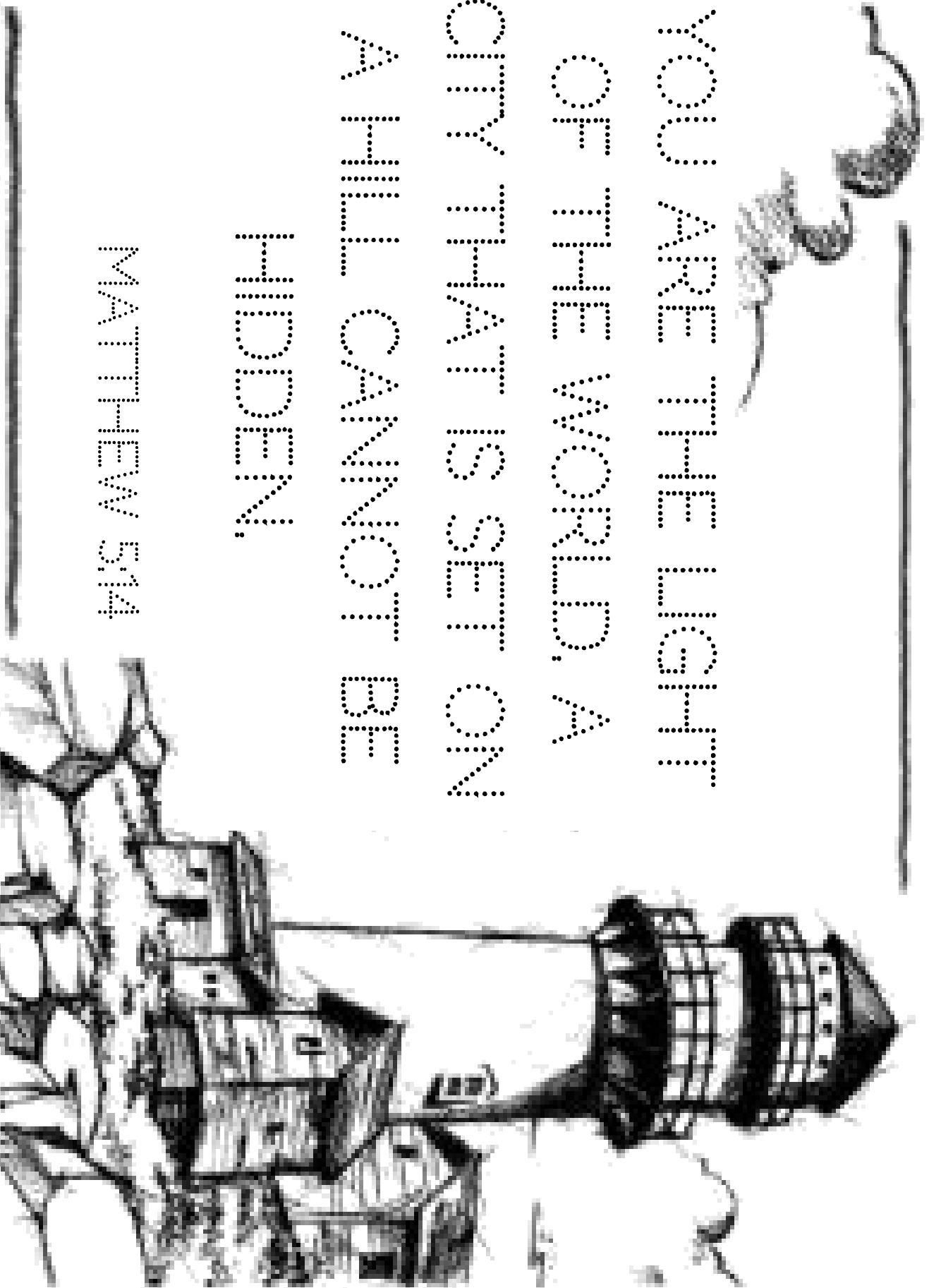
Cut out the candle and the basket.
Cut a slit in the opening of the
basket. Slide basket over the top
of candle to remind us not to hide
our light.



JESUS said:



I
am
the
Light
of
the
World.
John 8:12

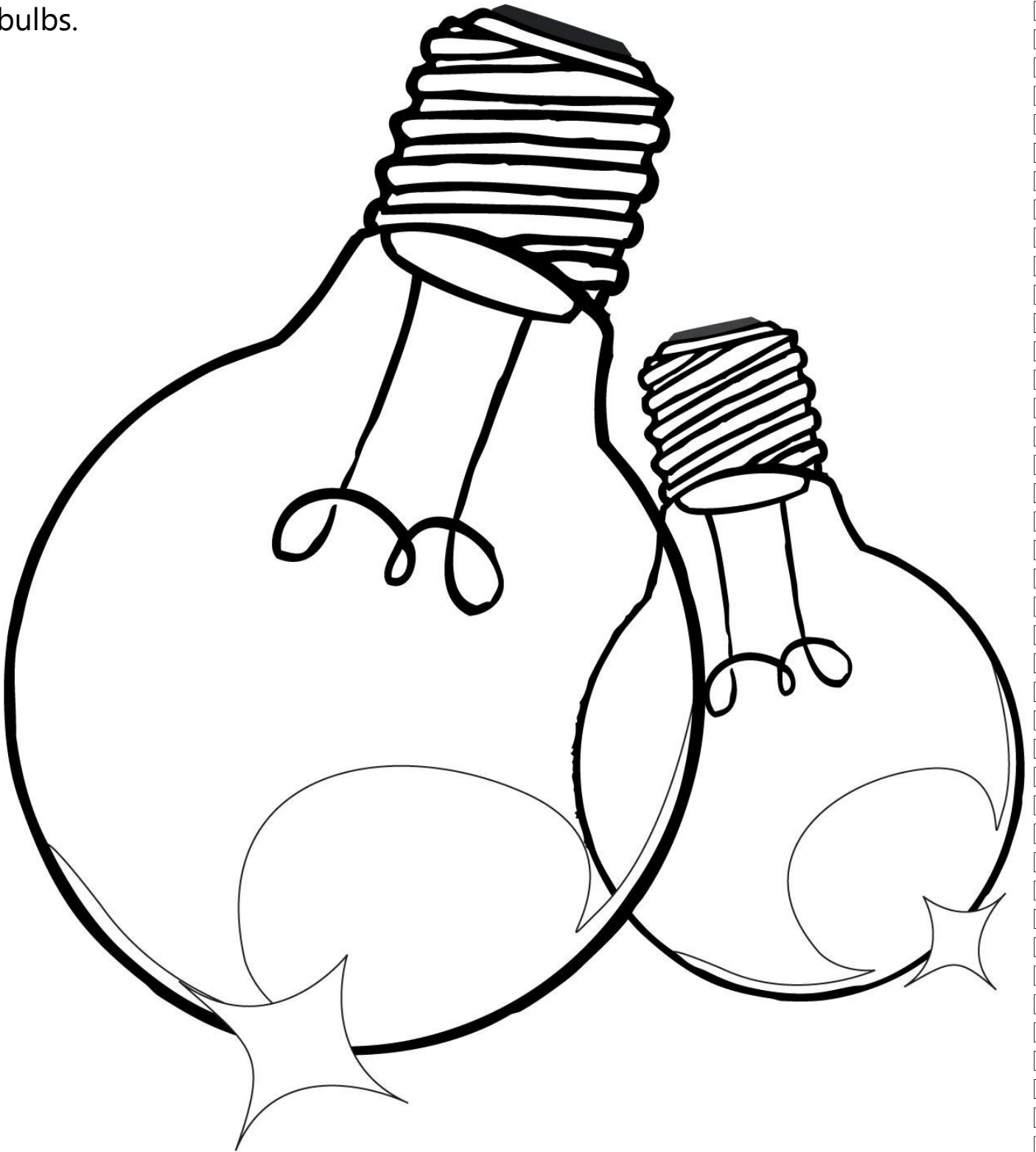


MATTHEW 5:14

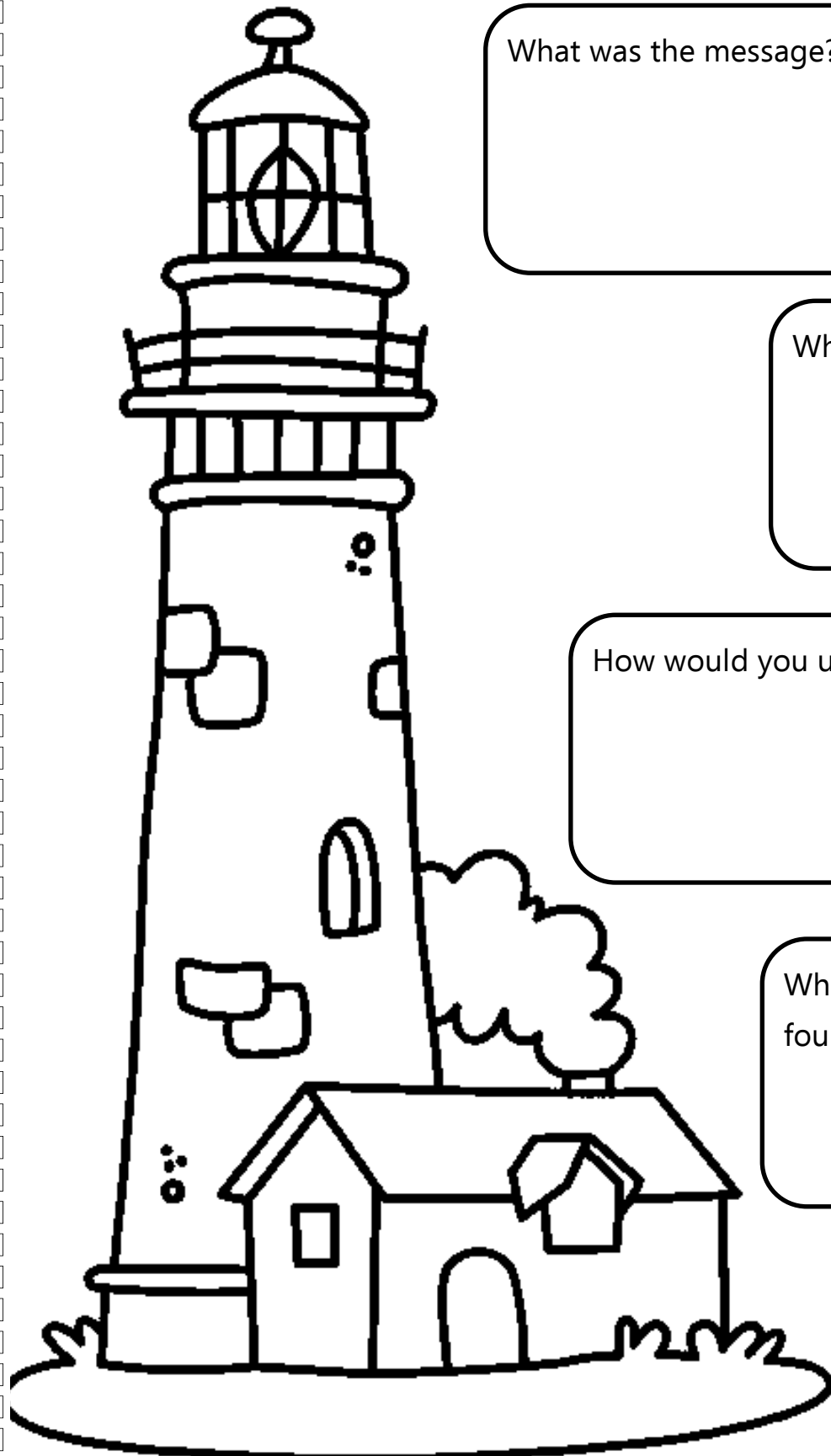
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Let your light shine

What are some ways you can let your light shine? Draw them in the light bulbs.



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What was the message?

Who was the audience?

How would you use it today?

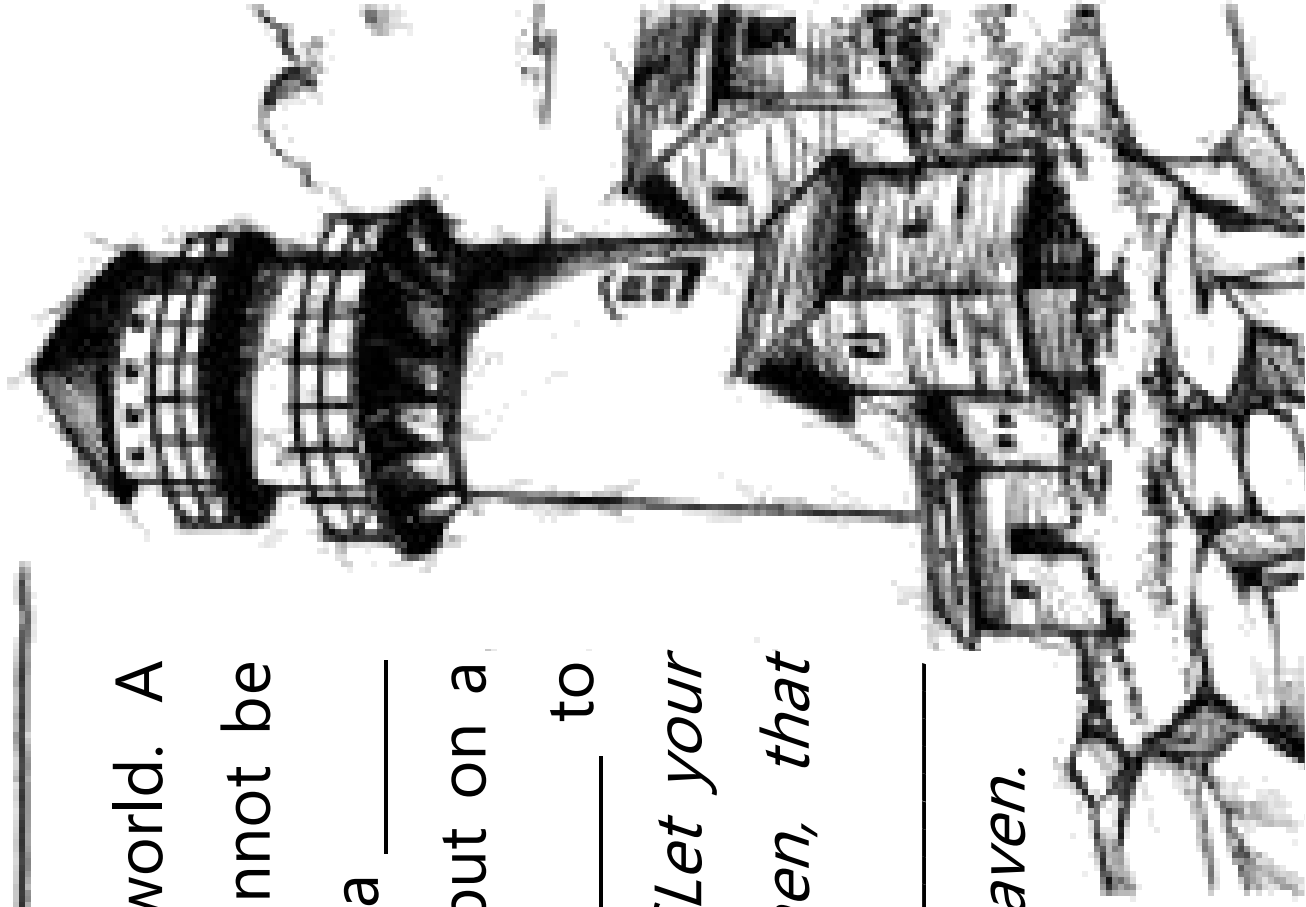
Where is this Parable found?

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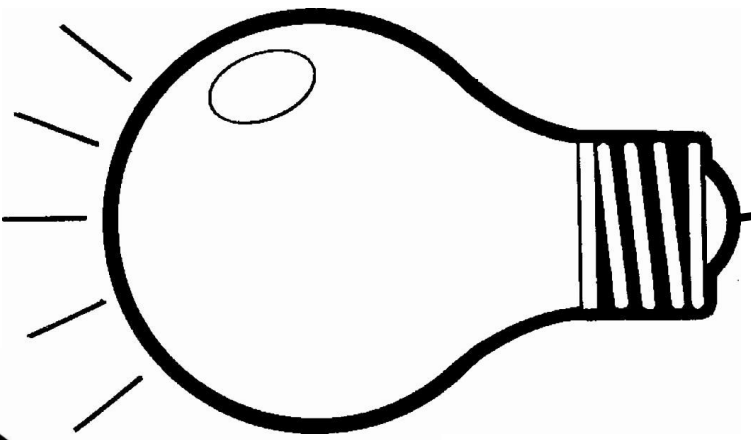


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they may see your _____
and _____ your Father in heaven.

Matthew 5:14



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