

## **Shine**

### **Ready:**

". . . Show me your faith without works, and I will show you faith from my works."

-James 2:18

### **Set**

This summer I volunteered as a Huddle Leader at an FCA sports camp. I learned that God can use anyone with an open heart in ways I couldn't even begin to imagine. Coming into camp I thought that the only way God was going to use me was to speak His word through me in my Huddle. Boy, was I wrong. God had another plan.

In the last couple of years, God has blessed me with the gift of excitement. Absolutely everything fills me with joy, whether it be a smile, the clouds in the sky or just the smell of fresh air. God fills me with an insane amount of energy, and I just can't keep it in. He gives us so many little blessings every day, and I just cannot help but want to share them with everyone around me.

FCA Camp was an amazing experience. (If you have never attended one, I would highly recommend it.) Every morning, God filled me with tons of energy that I couldn't help but share with my Huddle and everyone around me! At the end of camp, my Huddle did an activity in which each person wrote her name at the top of a piece of paper and the other members of the Huddle wrote something nice about that person underneath. When I read through my sheet, I found that the joy that overflowed in my life was what my girls took most from me. It wasn't just what I had shared verbally with them in Huddles, it had spilled over into the way I lived. God had created a fire and passion inside me. I have always heard that actions speak louder than words, but until that moment, I'd never really experienced the concept.

Every day we are surrounded by people who are yearning to know God more. We can preach to them all we want, but sometimes actively living for God proves to be 10 times more important. Anyone can talk the talk, but we also need to walk the walk. We can have the greatest faith in the world, but if we don't share it, what good is it doing?

Today, I challenge you to see the many blessings God has given you and to shine for Him. Let His light be seen all over the world!

### **Go**

1. Are you living a life that displays God to others?
2. How can God shine through you?
3. Make a list of all the little blessings that God gives you today!

### **Workout**

Romans 15:13

Philippians 2:5

1 Thessalonians 5:16

James 5:13

### **Bible Reference:**

James 5



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