

Let Your Light Shine

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I was reading an article that told of archaeologists, who, recently, believe they have found pieces of broken pottery in a North Carolina field that may have belonged to the first English settlers in America. They are very excited about this, because, if proven out to be true, it will help explain what happened to this group of over 100+ men, women and children of which, previously, have not had much evidence as to what happened to those settlers.

This got me to thinking. When time will have passed on, what items will remain that indicate what our Christian life was like when we were here during this civilization? Hmm, something to ponder. To get a quick peek into this pondering, imagine someone walking into our homes today. What indicators would be there that reveal that we lead a Christian life? Obviously, if we were there, our own personal life would be the best indicator. But if we weren't in the house, what else would reveal our Christian life? Would they see an open Bible where we had read our devotions this morning? Are there Bible verses visible in various forms – plaques on the wall or tables? What about the books on the book shelves – wholesome Christian reading? Is there a Bible study book with worn pages that show that we are involved in small group study or doing self-studying? And what about the play area for the kiddos? And the workshop in the garage? Any indicators there? What about the front of the refrigerator – magnets with Christian reminders and maybe coloring pictures or crafts that the kiddos have made in Sunday School, VBS, or other church activities?

Something to check out sometime today –take a look at our own home, as though we are looking through the eyes someone else. What do we see?

“You are the light of the world. A town build 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 others, that they may see your good deeds and glorify your Father in heaven. *(Matthew 5:14-16)*

Prayer: Thank you, Lord, for guiding us in our efforts to follow You. May we also be a light for others who may enter our home, in Jesus name we pray. Amen.