

A Tiny Spirit's Shining Light of Faith

As a child experiences the simple beauty of a graceful gathering of deep purple irises growing humbly beside her “little white church,” a treasured light-filled memory is made. This memory will become a branch of God’s light throughout her life’s journey of faith. When all the child’s physical senses engage and enjoy God’s beauty in nature, so begins the sharing of His shining light of love with a tiny spirit. Accepting the sharing joyfully, a bright flicker of faith opens through her heart’s spirit, growing in the fruits of love from our sweet Jesus. A light of faith, filled with the innocent strength of God’s love.

Years pass by, life’s trials occur and the light weakens. Yet—praying, searching, remembering—this light recalls a treasured memory; adults with loving hearts that are filled with the fruits of God’s Holy Spirit. Their lives model the spiritual fruits from God’s word: love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness, self-control ... and a healthy dose of prayer. Indeed, as the light shines on God’s path, grace is evident through people who try to love others as themselves. And so, the tiny spirit’s learning of God’s light of love through others continues.

Now, this older grateful light filled with the joy, peace and assurance of God’s light of love shines as brightly as ever through His gift of eternal life. Encouraged with fruit-filled memories and faith-guided acceptance, the tiny spirit’s shining light, at last, understands that the truest bright light comes from within. The humble spirit that seeks to do God’s will, shares His gifts of love, grace, mercy and forgiveness with others through Jesus Christ.

This little light of ours, we’re gonna let it shine.

Let it shine! — Let it shine! — Let it shine!

May God bless you everyday!

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