

**Saturday, Week 1: Mark 4:21**

*Jesus also said: "You don't light a lamp and put it under a clay pot or under a bed. Don't you put a lamp on a lamp stand?" (CEV)*

1. The Christmas carol "O Little Town of Bethlehem" reminds us that Jesus is "the everlasting light." Christ not only taught that he is "the light of the world," but that his followers are also. How does that knowledge inspire, challenge or motivate you today?

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2. The first week of the Advent season, during which we have focussed on Jesus as our Wonderful Counsellor, is drawing to a close. As you look back over the past six days, where have you been able to bring light into our darkened world?

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3. What is one practical way you might share the hope of Christmas with others, thus letting your light shine?

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*Dear Lord: Thank you for sending Jesus, the light of the world, all those years ago. Help me to share the hope I have found in him, and so let your light shine through me. For I pray this in Jesus' name. Amen.*