

We are called to shine God's light to those around us



*For we are His workmanship, created in Christ Jesus for good works, which God prepared beforehand that we should walk in them. Ephesians 2:10*

## **Shining Our Light**

One of the themes of Hanukkah is shining our light in the midst of a dark world. Just as the lights from the hanukkiyah light up a room so too does Yah want our lives to bring His light to others.

Did you know that God has prepared good deeds for us to walk in? If we are spiritually sensitive then we will see more of these opportunities as they arise. I frequently want these deeds to be profound and readily visible to those around me. But the vast majority of the "good deeds" that we walk in will not be of this variety. Most of these "actions of light" will be somewhat small, obscure, and often unseen and not validated by others. But these actions do make a difference as we continue to walk them out.

I've found that the majority of these good deed opportunities are with the people who are closest to me. These are typically the ones who I find the most challenging to be Yeshua-like around, and they at times seem to be the least aware or appreciative of these actions. But, if I'm consistently connecting with Yeshua then these actions become easier....as a byproduct of a greater Love. At these times I'm not so concerned about being acknowledged but in pleasing the One I love.

As we close in on the last couple days of Hanukkah let's ask YHWH to help us be more aware of the opportunities that He's put in front of us to be a light and encouragement to those around us. Let's not minimize or ignore the small loving actions that we can do to be a light and an encouragement to others.