

Light THE World

25 DAYS, 25 WAYS TO LIGHT THE WORLD

For each December day until Christmas, a teaching of Jesus Christ is highlighted, followed by a question and a suggestion.

1 FRI MATTHEW 10:8

"Freely ye have received, freely give."

What can you sacrifice today to make someone else's life better?

Put down the electronics and spend some quality time with family or friends.

2 SAT MATTHEW 25:35

"For I was an hungred, and ye gave me meat: I was thirsty, and ye gave me drink."

Have you ever been really hungry?

Donate some of your favorite nonperishable items to a food bank in your area.

3 SUN MATTHEW 12:12

"Wherefore it is lawful to do well on the sabbath days."

How can you make better use of your time on Sundays?

Identify something from a talk you heard at church that you can do to help someone in need. Then do it.

4 MON MATTHEW 22:39

"Thou shalt love thy neighbour as thyself."

Who in the neighborhood is forgotten during Christmas?

Pay them a visit and bring them some homemade goodies.

5 TUE MATTHEW 15:4

"Honour thy father and mother."

Need some meaningful advice about something you're dealing with?

Ask your parents. You can benefit from their wisdom.

6 WED MATTHEW 7:1

"Judge not, that ye be not judged."

Do you find yourself thinking negative things about others?

Instead of saying mean things behind people's backs, say nice things.

7 THU MARK 10:14

"Suffer the little children to come unto me."

How could you make a child's day?

Make plans and take time to help a child feel special.

8 FRI MATTHEW 5:44

"Love your enemies, bless them that curse you, do good to them that hate you, and pray for them which despitefully use you."

Know someone who's difficult to get along with?

For an entire week, focus on being kind instead of right.

9 SAT MATTHEW 25:36

"I was sick, and ye visited me."

Did you know that many of those in nursing homes never have a visitor during their stay?

Visit a senior center today and provide some much-needed attention.

10 SUN JOHN 5:39

"Search the scriptures."

Do you have a favorite scripture?

Share it with friends and family on social media.

11 MON MATTHEW 25:35

"I was a stranger, and ye took me in."

How can you help refugees in your area?

Visit IWasAStranger.lds.org and get involved.

12 TUE MATTHEW 5:4

"Blessed are they that mourn: for they shall be comforted."

Do you know someone who's recently lost a loved one?

Offer to provide comfort and a listening ear.

13 WED MATTHEW 7:12

"All things whatsoever ye would that men should do to you, do ye even so to them."

Have you seen someone get bullied on social media?

Reach out to them today and send some positive vibes in their direction.

14 THU MATTHEW 6:21

"For where your treasure is, there will your heart be also."

Are you spending time on the things you value most?

Clear some space on your calendar to invest in some one-on-one time with someone you love.

15 FRI MATTHEW 5:7

"Blessed are the merciful."

Know a family struggling to make ends meet?

Come up with a plan to make their Christmas special and then fulfill your plan.

16 SAT MATTHEW 25:36

"[I was] naked, and ye clothed me."

Do you or those around you have more than you need to stay warm?

Collect old (or new) winter coats, gloves, and hats for your local homeless shelter.

17 SUN 3 NEPHI 18:21-22

"Pray in your families. . . Ye shall meet together oft."

Has it been a while since you came together as a family?

Sunday is a great day for family time. Schedule time to share your favorite Christmas memories with each other.

18 MON 3 NEPHI 18:15

"Ye must watch and pray always."

Has something small or big worked out for you today?

Recognize God's blessings by giving thanks to Him.

19 TUE MATTHEW 5:12

"Rejoice, and be exceeding glad."

When was the last time you celebrated someone else's accomplishments?

Find somebody who doesn't receive thanks that often, and make their day amazing.

20 WED LUKE 12:15

"A man's life consisteth not in the abundance of the things which he possesseth."

Who has made your life more meaningful?

Give the gift of time. Plan something to do together with them and make a new memory.

21 THU MATTHEW 6:14

"Forgive men their trespasses."

Does someone really get on your nerves?

Write down all of that person's positive qualities, and then try to imagine how God sees that person.

22 FRI 3 NEPHI 27:21

"That which ye have seen me do even that shall ye do."

Who is the most Christlike person you know?

Send a note of appreciation expressing your gratitude for their example.

23 SAT MATTHEW 25:36

"I was in prison, and ye came unto me."

Does someone you know seem discouraged?

Go for a walk with them. Spend most of your time just listening.

24 SUN MATTHEW 21:13

"It is written, My house shall be called the house of prayer."

When was the last time you prayed with your family?

Pray with your family over dinner or before you go to bed tonight.

25 MON MATTHEW 5:16

"Let your light so shine before men, that they may see your good works, and glorify your Father which is in heaven."

What's one way Jesus Christ has been an example in your life?

On social media, share one of Christ's teachings that has blessed you.

Find additional ideas at Mormon.org.

