Before your family left campus on move-in weekend I am sure they gave you a hug, a kiss and probably shared some valuable words of advice. If they were anything like my parents I am sure they said something to that effect of, “Do not forget who you are and how you were raised.” Hopefully, those sentiments from your parents resonate with the passage of scripture for today. Matthew 5:14-16 says, “You are the light of the world. A town built 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.”

This passage speaks to your character. Your success and personal satisfaction will be determined by the type of character you portray. People with quality character need to let their light shine for all to see. Be wise with your decisions. You are adults now and I urge you to remember your childhood and the lessons learned before making decisions. Be the individual your parents always knew you could be and hoped you would be. Be a light unto all you come into contact with. You need to keep in mind that the “light” referenced in the scripture is God living in you. Your actions will represent your decision to let others see God’s influence in your life. The question is, how will you share that light?

**Life Question:** What decisions will you make in order to share the light of Christ through your actions while you are at Campbell?

**Prayer:** Lord help me to make decisions that reflect your glory. Help my light to shine! Amen.

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