

A Lamp on a Stand - Luke 8:16-18

Topics: Abundance, Hiding, Listening, Openness, Witnessing

Open It

- * 1. What are the features of your favorite kind of lamp?
- 2. What kinds of things do people try to hide?

Explore It

- * 3. In what places would it be absurd to put a lamp? (8:16)
- 4. According to Jesus, what is not done with a lamp? (8:16)
- * 5. What is done with a lamp? (8:16)
- 6. What contrasts do we see in this passage? (8:16-18)
- 7. Why would someone put a light on a stand? (8:16)
- 8. How much can ultimately be hidden? (8:17)
- 9. What will happen to those things that are hidden? (8:17)
- 10. What are we to consider carefully? (8:18)
- 11. What did Jesus say our response should be to what we hear? (8:18)
- * 12. What did Jesus say about what God entrusts to us? (8:18)

Get It

- * 13. What does the lamp stand for?
- * 14. What sorts of things would God have us bring “out into the open”?
- 15. How good a listener do you think you are, in the sense of this passage?
- 16. What have you been given by God?
- 17. When have you tried to hide your Christian identity from other people?

Apply It

- * 18. What are some symbols you can use to show others your Christian identity?
- 19. What step can you take to be a better listener to this and other parables?