Daily Devotion For January 27, 2022

<sup>16</sup> In the same way, **let your light shine before others**, that they may see your good deeds and glorify your Father in heaven." Matthew 5:16

Yesterday at our Wednesday Bible Study, a reference was made to Jesus's words in the Sermon on the Mount found in the above scripture. It made me think, what does it mean to let our "**light shine before others**...."

One way that I have experienced this "light" is by observing other Christians who have been filled with the Holy Spirit. They seem to have a growing relationship with God and that is seen by their conduct, service to others, and the way that they handle life's trials and adversities. I mentioned that Dr. Cary Gota and his wife Joyce have been a "light" to our congregation in the way they have handled their adversities with Cary's health issues.

The light that Jesus mentions in Matthew 5:16 is the light that we cast when we have peace in the midst of chaos, contentment in the midst of adversity, love in the midst of a world of hate, etc.

The light is also evidenced when we "overflow with thankfulness" as we studied last Sunday. Being grateful to God for His son Jesus for being our Savior and Lord. Grateful for our countless blessings. Grateful even for the trials of life that we do not understand.

**Thought For Today:** Is your light shining? Is it a bright light or a dim glow? Is the light of Christ evidenced in you by your thoughts, words, and deeds?

**Today's Prayer Focus**: Continue to pray for wisdom for our nation's leaders and that peace in Ukraine will prevail. Pray that your light will shine before others. Deo Volente.