

Excuse Me, Are you Jesus?

by the Nelons

I was racing through the airport to make an early flight;
I wanted to get home to see my children and my wife.
I rushed around the corner – an apple stand was there,
Until I knocked it over. The fruit went everywhere!

At first I kept on going – I just couldn't miss that plane –
I looked over my shoulder, not stopping to explain –
A girl was down there on her knees – groping 'round to find
The apples scattered on the floor – then I saw the girl was blind.

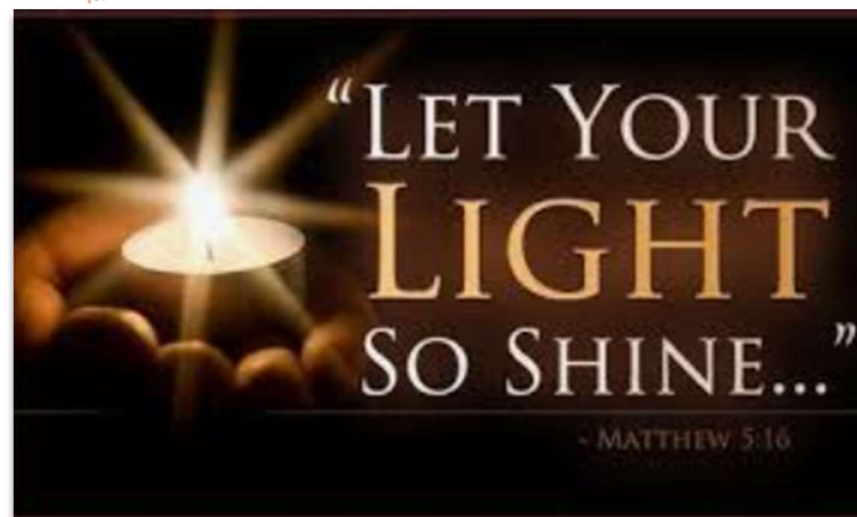
As my plane was leaving, I stopped to lend a hand.
I picked up all the apples, restored the apple stand;
To replace the bruised and broken, in her fingers pressed some bills
As I hugged her narrow shoulders, she reached to hold me still...
And said...

Excuse me, are you Jesus?
Is that why you were so kind?
Excuse me, are you Jesus
To have had me on your mind?
You picked up all the pieces,
The bruised and broken parts;
You put me back in business;
You were Jesus to my heart...

Once I was bruised and broken, blind and groping on my way,
When someone stopped to help me, paid the damage, made me say....



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WORSHIP SERVICE

January 12, 2025

Baptism of Our Lord

PRELUDE **“Come, Holy Spirit, Dove Divine”**

Smith/Berry

CHIMING OF THE TRINITY

INTROIT **“O Zion, Haste”**

Walch/Berry

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

CALL TO WORSHIP **“Here I Am to Worship”**

Tim Hughes

INVOCATION

OPENING HYMNS **“Lord, I Lift Your Name on High”**

Founds

“Leaning On The Everlasting Arms”

Hoffman,
Showwalter, McLellan

GOSPEL LESSON

John 1:1-14

CHILDREN’S MESSAGE **“This Light Of Mine”**

Rev. Ott

PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH FAMILY

PASTORAL PRAYER & THE LORD’S PRAYER

GIVING OF GOD’S TITHES & OUR OFFERINGS

“Jesus Messiah”
“I Saw The Light”

Tomlin, Carson
Hank Williams

SERMON TEXT

SERMON **“Let Your Light Shine”**

Matthew 5:14-16
Rev. Ott

CLOSING HYMN

“We Believe”

Fike, Collins, Hooper

BENEDICTION

OUR PRAYERS: Janet Buckner, Scott Bell, R. Lee Benton, Stacy Carter, R.L. Carter, Jr., Marilyn Creech, Kristy & Hayes Harris, Troyce Crosby, Dorothy Cummings, Joseph Givens, Joyce Hennen, Bo Hetrick, Michael Hickman, Bill Howell, Lad Howell, Tony Hubbard, Linda Hudson, Bobbie McLaine, Ann Nettles, Lynn Nettles, Ed Newington, Christopher Plummer, Dan Pope, Joe Ritter, Joey Ritter, Debra Smith, Joe Stone, Bonnie Thomas, Cindy Thompson, Eddie Thompson, Marion Thompson, Taylor Twigg, Chris Varnadoe, Michael Walker, Shirley Wilmott, Cliff Wisely.

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Our heartfelt prayers and condolences are lifted up for the family of Chris Jones (Sandy Katchuck’s cousin) who passed away January 9th.

Youth Groups: Both groups will meet tonight at 5:30-7:00pm at the church.

Walterboro District Job Training on Jan 12th @ 2:30-4:30pm at Hampton UMC, 204 Elm Street W, Hampton, SC for the following committees and chair persons: SPRC, Trustee, Finance, Church Council, and Class Leaders