



Let Your Light Shine Paper Candles

Grades 1–4

Materials:

Cardboard tubes (such as toilet paper rolls, or paper towel rolls), 1 per student	Scripture verses (e.g., “You are the light of the world,” Matthew 5:14, “Let your light shine,” adapted from Matthew 5:16)
Aluminum foil	Glue or tape
Tissue paper in red, yellow, orange colors	Optional: Cardboard or poster board

FAITH CONNECTION

Read aloud with the children Matthew 5:14–16, “You are the light of the world. Your light must shine before others.” Invite them to complete a project that reminds them to let their light shine for others.



Before Class:

Prepare Scripture verses on the symbolism of light.

Directions:

1. Cover the tube with aluminum foil and tape or glue foil in place.
2. Insert tissue paper in the top of the tube to resemble a flame. Glue or tape tissue into place if necessary.
3. Glue or tape a Scripture verse to the candle.

Optional: Glue or tape the candle to a round piece of cardboard or poster board to make a base for the candle to stand. The cardboard should be cut 2" to 3" larger than the tube.