



LIGHT CONVERSATION

HEBREWS 13:15-16

Happy & Blessed New Year 2026



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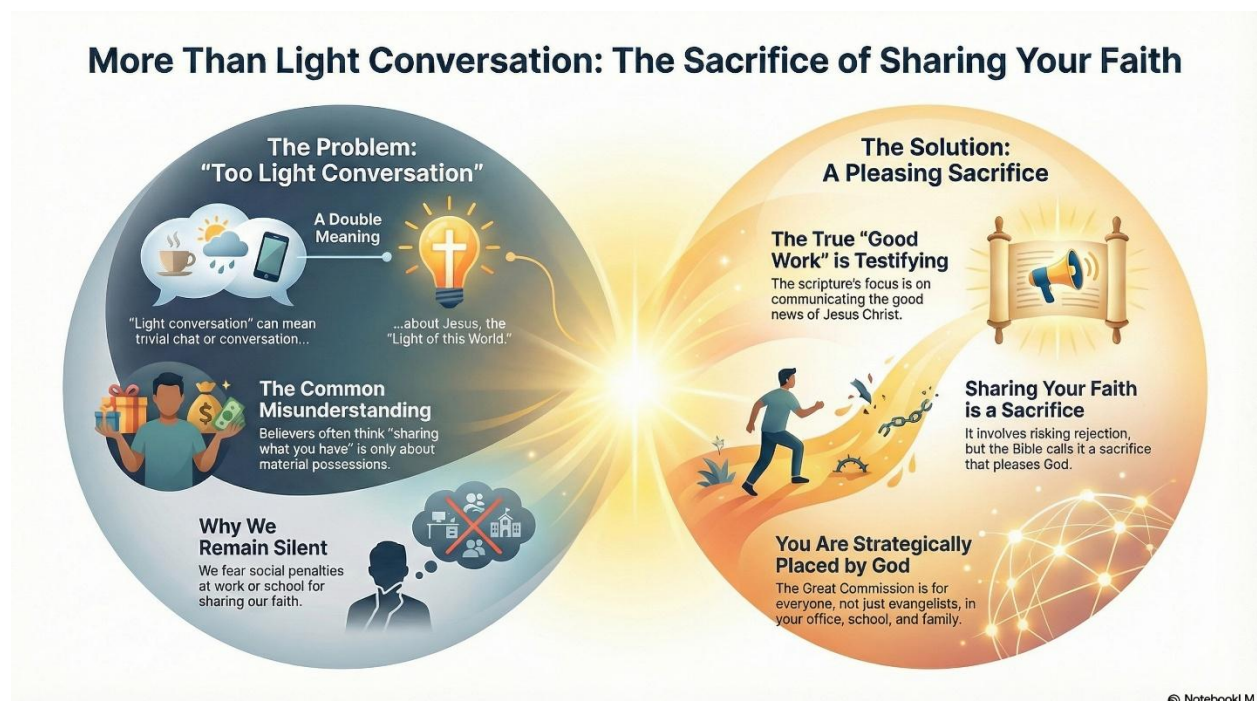
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1. Opening

Welcome to the Devotionals of The House of Bread. In the Word we read that we are to receive the Word of GOD by the Spirit, so I strongly urge you to pray before you receive the Devotional. Let Christ take the lead in your Spiritual Development.

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Introduction



Once more, may I wish all a Happy and Blessed New Year for 2026. Some, it seems, takes an annual vacation from everything, including the Word of GOD, for some.

Now, today's heading can be understood in two ways. 1) Not so serious conversation and 2) conversation about the Light of this world. And even the latter can be understood in more ways. But, overall, this is about conversation, and that is what the focus verses of today is about, the fruit of the lips that acknowledge His Name. Jesus Christ, the light of all men. (John 1:4)

2. Scripture Text

Hebrews 13:15-16 ESV

“[15] Through him then let us continually offer up a sacrifice of praise to God, that is, the fruit of lips that acknowledge his name. [16] Do not neglect to do good and to share what you have, for such sacrifices are pleasing to God.”

<https://bible.com/bible/59/heb.13.15-16.ESV>

3. Devotional Reflection

The Verse of the day is verse 16 from Hebrews 13, but I gave verse 15 too, so you could see it is about conversation, let me also give verse 15 from the KJV.

Hebrews 13:16 KJV

“[16] But to do good and to communicate forget not: for with such sacrifices God is well pleased.”

<https://bible.com/bible/1/heb.13.16.KJV>

Not that it excludes to do well u to others as well, but the doing good referred to here is more specifically about testifying of Jesus Christ to all.

And this is where the title comes in today, and I can add the word *“too”* before *“light conversation.”* Now I am definitely not referring that you can speak too much about Christ, just the opposite. What is the nature of your daily conversations?

Many are reluctant to testify of Christ between those they know, and most specifically at work or school. Yes, most people do not want to hear of Christ in those environments, and in some, it might actually be prohibited. But I want to show you something about doing good (which our verse today points to.)

If you should speak and testify of Jesus Christ, there is a risk of penalty for you, depending on circumstances. Most societies will claim they stand for free speech, until you testify of Christ, then the anti-Christ spirit jumps into action and persecute and prosecute. But your testimony of Christ carries good news for others. A benefit for them, good news for them if they receive it.

Too light conversation speaks of all the times we could have testified but remained silent because it holds some penalty for us. And in so doing, we have failed to make this sacrifice the author makes here in Hebrews 13. Interestingly enough, the next verse speaks of authorities, which in our day seems to be against such good sacrifices to be made in public spaces, but let us look at it in anyway...

Hebrews 13:17 ESV

“[17] Obey your leaders and submit to them, for they are keeping watch over your souls, as those who will have to give an account. Let them do this with joy and not with groaning, for that would be of no advantage to you.”

<https://bible.com/bible/59/heb.13.17.ESV>

I postulate that the author is referring to church leaders, and verse 18 hints at it (I am not going to quote that too here.)

The focus today is on this good conversation that we should have each day with as many as possible, praising GOD and honouring our Lord and Saviour, His Son, Jesus Christ. It is not mentioned as a sacrifice for no reason, because the words of Him might be received by offense in a World that hated Him before it hated us. *"Such sacrifices are pleasing to God."*

Today's message is actually quite simple, friends, complicated only by the circumstance of a fallen world and fallen men. But remember always Ephesians 6:12, that you are reminded of who the struggle is against, and you do not become as brutes towards one another.

If we who are in Jesus Christ do not testify of Him, where will they hear of Him? Mainstream news? I remind you of the Great Commission, we are all sent. Everyone of us should do our part to evangelize. In part, I am somewhat repulsed by the term, because it has created a calling that gave the understanding that just some are sent to testify of Christ alone, and all that is needed from us is our money to fund those expeditions.

No! Everyone can do a little, even if it is just to invite a friend along who can speak where you can't. Today, we don't even testify at home anymore, and the dinner table has been excluded so family conversation can be impeded. The enemy, friends, has been hard at work to prevent the opportunity of testimony, including ejection of Christianity from schools and cabinet (parliament.)

4. Closing Paragraph

Will you make a sacrifice today that is pleasing to GOD or leave it to the evangelists. How long might they take to get to your office, your school and your family, where you have strategically been placed by GOD?

Selah, Shalom

5. Resources

Playlists:

Over the last few months and years, we have compiled a few playlists on SoundCloud. Feel free to explore it, download it and share with friends and family.

Find playlists at: <https://soundcloud.com/houseofbread4u/sets>

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We have added the ability for you to download the music you heard in the devotionals. You can listen to the song before hitting the “Download” button to know it is the right song you wanted. For now, at least, these are free downloads, and my hope is that I can keep it free. Enjoy!

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