CHRIST THE LIGHT OF THE WORLD

We Are to Be Light to Others

Intent of this Story

- > Christ is the Light of the World come down from Heaven to earth
- We are to be the light of Christy in our world.

CATCHING A FALLING STAR

A Legend

A little star fell from the heavens...Oh...Oh, shining, shining, and shining all the way down! Till it fell in a forest

Close by, there was a poor village woman who had come to the forest to gather twigs for firewood. Suddenly the fallen star hit her eyes with its dazzling brightness.

"Oh! Oh! What's this?" She said. She drew near and carefully picked the star from the ground. It shone now more brilliantly than ever... "Oh! I'll take it home," she said. "My husband and my neighbors will be surprised to see our little house and the village so brightly lit up."

Coming home, she placed the little star outside her window so that it could give light not only to her house, but to the entire village. When her husband came home he couldn't believe his eyes! "What's that brightness in my house, and all around he exclaimed!"

She told him how she had found the star in the forest. Her Husband insisted that the star be keep inside their house. "It's for us only" he said. "You found it, right? Then, it is ours only. Do not keep it outside for all. It might be spent too soon!" When he said that, the star grew dim. She remonstrated, to him: "Not at all. I want to keep the star outside our window for all the villagers to enjoy" When she said that, the star started beaming again in its full splendor!

So, from that day on, the star remained outside the window. Ever since, the little star kept on shining more and more, giving light and joy to one and all in that poor village.

REFLECT ON THE FOLLOWING SENTENCES

- Christ is the Light of the World
- Christ came that all might have "light and life", and have it abundantly
- Will darkness ever overpower the light Christ brought into the world? Why?

- Can love, kindness, hope, faith, friendship, truth, beauty, cannot be kept for oneself. Why? What ate meant for?
- We Christians and all people of good will have to be the light in the world
- Christ is like the sun, we are like little candles!
- It is better to light a candle than to curse the darkness
- At sunset, the Sun said to the Diva: "Now, take your turn till sunrise"

BIBLE TEXTS

Christ and Christians being the Light of the World,

- ➢ Jn8/12 "I am the light of the world. Whoever follows me will have the light of life and he will never walk in the darkness"
- ➤ Jn1/1-5 "From the beginning the word was with God. The word was the source of life, and this life brought light to all men". The light shines in the darkness, and the darkness has never put it out"
- ➢ Jn 8/12" I am the light of the world. Whoever follows me, will have the light of life and will never walk in the darkness".
- ▶ Jn 9/5" While I am in the world, I am the light of the world".
- ➢ Jn 3/19-21" Light has come into the world, but men love darkness rather than light...whoever does what is true, comes to the light..."
- > Jn1 2/36 "Believe in the light, then, while you have it, so that you will be the people of the light".