

# BRIGHTEN THE CORNER Where You Are

There is a hymn titled, "Brighten the Corner Where You Are." The lyrics go as follows.

*Brighten the corner where you are!  
Brighten the corner where you are!  
Someone far from harbor "you" may guide across the bar;  
Brighten the corner where you are!*

*Do not wait until some deed of greatness you may do,  
Do not wait to shed your light afar,  
To the many duties ever near you now be true,  
Brighten the corner where you are.*

*Here for all your talent you may surely find a need,  
Here reflect the bright and Morning Star;  
Even from your humble hand the Bread of Life may feed,  
Brighten the corner where you are.*

These lyrics go along with a truth Paul stated in 2 Corinthians 10:13.

"But we will not boast beyond our measure, but within the measure of the sphere which God apportioned to us as a measure, to reach even as far as you."

Based on this truth I wrote the following in my journal. "God's call upon our lives includes the scope or sphere of our life and ministry. Not everyone is called to a ministry to many; rather they are called to a ministry to some. We need to faithfully function within the sphere or borders God has set for us. Learning to live within the limitations God has placed on us has its own rewards. At night every room, whether small or large, needs a light, so let us fully illuminate the room or sphere God has placed us in." The same is true related to the spiritual darkness of this world.

This truth in no way limits us, because those we impact for Christ within our sphere of influence will go on to repeat the process in their sphere of influence. When we brighten the corner where we are our lives can have an impact far beyond anything we could have imagined. Those who fully illuminate the corner where they are will receive rich rewards at the Judgment Seat of Christ. See

2 Corinthians 5:9-10