Live in such a way that people who know you but don't know Christ will want to know Christ because they know you.

Bishop H.David Burton, Ensign, May 1994, 68

Several years ago I was given a photograph of three sheds, two of which were leaning on the third and smallest shed. The accompanying caption read: "You need to be strong when you are the last one to take a stand." You too need to be strong. As you are faithful and righteous, others will look to you for support and strength.

Sister Elaine S. Dalton, Ensign, May 2008

You exert a certain degree of influence, and be it ever so small, it affects some person or persons, and for the results of the influence you exert you are held accountable. You, therefore, whether you acknowledge it or not, have assumed an importance before God and man that cannot be overlooked.

Lorenzo Snow, JD 18:299

One of mother's grandsons said he had watched with wonderment as his tiny daughter paged through her storybook, moistening her first finger to turn the pages as she had seen her daddy do as he read his books. Actually, she was moistening the finger on her left hand and turning the pages with the finger on her right hand! But that only served to emphasize both the power of example and the fact that she, like all the rest of us, is yet learning.

Marion D. Hanks, Ensign, May 1979, p.74

Arise and Shine Forth Quotes

You cannot lift another soul until you are standing on higher ground than he is. You must be sure if you would rescue the man, that you yourself are setting the example of what you would have him be. You cannot light a fire in another soul unless it is burning in your own soul.

President Harold B. Lee, CR, April 1973, p.178

We can be walking witnesses and standing sermons to which objective onlookers can say a quiet amen.

Neal A. Maxwell, Ensign, Nov 1980, p.15

You are good. But it is not enough just to be good. You must be good for something. You must contribute good to the world. The world must be a better place for your presence. And the good that is in you must be spread to others.

President Gordon B. Hinckley, BYUI Speeches, September 17, 1996

Standard-bearers march at the vanguard of a worthy cause. They represent that which is good and noble. They often carry flags or other symbols to express identity, purpose, and unity.

Speaking of such standard-bearers, I was told a tender account during a recent holiday season. While children reenacted the Christmas story, one child held high a star wrapped in aluminum foil, mounted on a broomstick. Later, someone commended the child for his stamina in holding that star so high for such a long period of time. The child, who had spoken no lines, joyfully replied, "I had the most important part in the play. I showed people how to find Jesus."

As His standard-bearers, we are to help the honest in heart to find Jesus. We don't wave flags. And generally we don't carry stars mounted on broomsticks. Instead, as standard-bearers for Jesus the Christ, we willingly and gratefully take His sacred name upon us. We enlist in His cause by covenant.

Elder Russell M. Nelson, Ensign, August 1991