

Lifestyle Evangelism is Reflecting.

Have you ever looked up in the sky at evening and seen the moon, but on another night you do not see it, even if it really is there all the time? Because the moon has no light of its own, we only see the moon when it is in the right position to reflect the light of the sun shining on it. If the moon is not in the right position, it cannot reflect the light of the sun, or it may only be able to reflect some of the light, which gives us the smaller portions or phases of the moon.

In a very similar manner, we may compare ourselves as moons to the Son of God. We have no love of our own. God, the Son, is complete love. When we love others, it is only because He first loved us. When we are in the right position, when we are living lives of faith, then the Son of God is able to shine on us, and we are then able to reflect that love and shine so that others might see our love for them.

Likewise, when we are not in the right position, when we are living lives of sin, then we are not in the right position, and although we may be able to reflect some of the love of God the Son, that reflection is rather imperfect. For us sinful human beings, we do reflect God's love, though imperfectly.

It might even be true that we have phases in our own lives. Maybe there are times we are up, happy and glad because things are going great. There may be other times when things are not going so well because some disappointments have occurred. Believe it or not, through both these times we may reflect God's love, and as always, imperfectly. There may be "up" times when we may reflect God's love as well as "down" times, because, at all times, our Lord loves us and continues to shine His love in our hearts and lives so that we may be able to reflect that love to others.

No, we do not always shine as full moons; however, by the grace and power of God, we do always shine. May the Lord help us let our lights shine so that He may be glorified.