

## Katy 1<sup>st</sup> Ward Spiritual Message #32

### LIGHTING A CANDEL

I used to go all over the country giving seminars on goal setting. I would like to share with you 3 slides from a six hour motivational seminar I gave at an International Conference in Toronto, Canada. I feel like it perfectly depicts what we have the potential of doing as member missionaries. You will never in this life time know the influence you will have on others or the good that it has done or will continue to do in their lives for years to come. We just have to trust that we have done our best. Below are the slides:

**Have you ever felt the thrill that comes from the power of starting something really good?**



**Then you get others involved.**



**And when it is done, sometimes you realize that it doesn't matter who lit the first candle.**



And after a few years the work we have done will literally turn into thousands just as Ammon promised us in Alma 26:22.

“Yea, he that repenteth and exerciseth faith, and bringeth forth good works, and prayeth continually without ceasing—unto such it is given to know the mysteries of God; yea, unto such it shall be given to reveal things which never have been revealed; yea, and it shall be given unto such to bring thousands of souls to repentance, even as it has been given unto us to bring these our brethren to repentance.”

We have always believed that we would accomplish that by our having converted a few people who then convert others who then convert more.

President Kimball’s counsel to missionaries was: "Come home with worn out shoes". Hopefully when it is our time to pass on to the next life we will truly have worn out spiritual shoes.

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