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SALT AND LIGHT

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Beatitudes = Supreme Blessedness

Blessed = Profound Joy and Fulfillment in God's Favor

Matthew 5:1-2

One day as he saw the crowds gathering, Jesus went up on the mountainside and sat down. His disciples gathered around him, and he began to teach them.

Matthew 5:13-14

"You are the salt of the earth. But what good is salt if it has lost its flavor? Can you make it salty again? It will be thrown out and trampled underfoot as worthless. "You are the light of the world like a city on a hilltop that cannot be hidden.

Isaiah 42:6-7

"I, the Lord, have called you to demonstrate my righteousness. I will take you by the hand and guard you, and I will give you to my people, Israel, as a symbol of my covenant with them. And you will be a light to guide the nations. You will open the eyes of the blind. You will free the captives from prison, releasing those who sit in dark dungeons.

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Mark 9:49-50

“For everyone will be tested with fire. Salt is good for seasoning. But if it loses its flavor, how do you make it salty again? You must have the qualities of salt among yourselves and live in peace with each other.”

John 10:10

The thief’s purpose is to steal and kill and destroy. My purpose is to give them a rich and satisfying life.

Matt 5:15-16

No one lights a lamp and then puts it under a basket. Instead, a lamp is placed on a stand, where it gives light to everyone in the house. In the same way, let your good deeds shine out for all to see, so that everyone will praise your heavenly Father.

-Elizabeth Gilbert

“Those of us who are warm and dry and safe and well-fed must show up for those who are cold and wet and endangered and hungry. That is the rule of life. Every ethical and religious and spiritual tradition in the world agrees that is the rule.”

- Stephen Colbert

“Ultimately, us all being mortal, the faith will win out in the end. But I certainly hope when I get to heaven, Jesus has a sense of humor....(continued)

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- Stephen Colbert

....(Faith is) connected to the idea of love and sacrifice being somehow related and giving yourself to other people and that "death is not defeat." So, if there's some relationship between my faith and my comedy, it's that no matter what happens, you are never defeated. You must understand and see this in the light of eternity and find some way to love and laugh with each other"