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Good morning everyone

I wish you a calm and inspiring Tuesday. Let us be quiet for a few moments to calm our minds.....

Lord God, you have called us to know you, to love you and to proclaim you.

May we live this day in awareness of you and in the power of your Spirit, to tell of your love in all the world, through Jesus Christ our Lord. AMEN

Matthew 5:13-16

Salt and Light

'You are the salt of the earth; but if salt has lost its taste, how can its saltiness be restored? It is no longer good for anything, but is thrown out and trampled under foot.

'You are the light of the world. A city built on a hill cannot be hidden. No one after lighting a lamp puts it under the bushel basket, but on the lampstand, and it gives light to all in the house. In the same way, let your light shine before others, so that they may see your good works and give glory to your Father in heaven.

Reflection

Following on from the beatitudes in the Sermon on the Mount, Jesus tells his followers that people who receive these blessings *matter*:

You have an important role to play because you are the salt of the earth. Salt preserves and Christians help preserve what is good in the culture. In the ancient world, salt was very valuable: the Greeks thought it contained something almost divine, and the Romans sometimes paid their soldiers with salt. A soldier who didn't carry out his duties "was not worth his salt." Note that salt, to be effective, must be in contact with the meat or fish it is to preserve. To be effective, we must be involved where we work and where we live. We must retain our "saltiness," our distinctiveness as we live by God's word

Jesus said our light is not necessarily in the witness of our words, but in the witness of our deeds—our "good works." "Let your light so shine before men that they may see your good deeds and glorify your father who is in heaven." The beatitudes have spelled out some of those good works. In humility and submission to God, we work for right relations, for merciful actions, and for peace. When we live as people of blessing, we are both salt and light—in the workplace, in our homes, and in our nation.

The Lord's Prayer

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name; thy kingdom come; thy will be done; c

as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we for those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation; but deliver us from evil. For is the kingdom, the power, and the glory for ever and ever. Amen

May the light of Christ enlighten our hearts, shine in our minds and direct our journeying, an light to the world. Maranatha! Come Lord Jesus AMEN

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord
In the name of Christ
AMEN

Blessings
Vicky