GOOD NEWS ACCORDING TO MATTHEW

Your light must shine brightly

Jesus says,

"You are like a light for the whole world. Everyone can see a city which is built on top of a hill.

You cannot hide it.

No one lights a lamp and then puts it under a bucket.

The lamp is put where it can shine all around

for everyone in the house.

Your light must shine brightly for everyone.

When people see the good things you do, they will give praise to God."



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About forgiving

Peter came to Jesus and asked, "If my friend keeps hurting me, how many times do I have to forgive him? Seven times?"

"No, not seven times," answered Jesus, "but seventy times seven." (based on Matthew 18:21-22)

About God

One day when Jesus was talking to people about God, his Father, he said to them, "Look at the sun. It shines on everyone. Think about the rain. It rains on everyone. That's because God takes care of everyone, no matter who they are, or where they come from, or what they are like.

God loves even those who do not love him. If you want to be like God, then you must do the same.

You must love people who do not love you, people who do not like you.

If you love those who love you

- that's easy.

Everybody does that.

What's difficult is to help the others, the people who don't like you, the people who don't help you."

(based on Matthew 5:43-48)