

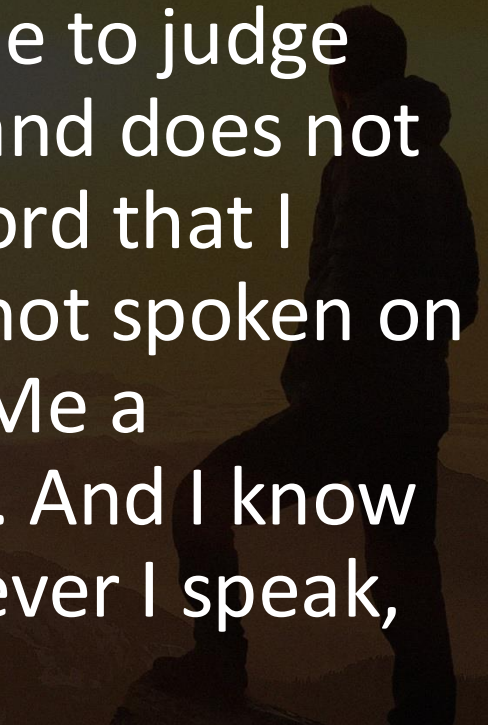
A person stands on the edge of a dark, rocky cliff on the right side of the frame, looking out over a vast mountain range. The sun is rising in the center of the image, creating a bright, glowing light that fills the sky with warm orange and yellow hues. The sun's rays are visible, and a lens flare effect is present. The mountains in the foreground and background are covered in snow and have dark, rocky peaks. The overall scene is a dramatic landscape with a strong sense of scale and perspective.

FAITH IN THE LIGHT



# JOHN 12:46-50 NKJV

I have come as a light into the world, that whoever believes in Me should not abide in darkness. And if anyone hears My words and does not believe, I do not judge him; for I did not come to judge the world but to save the world. He who rejects Me, and does not receive My words, has that which judges him—the word that I have spoken will judge him in the last day. For I have not spoken on My own authority; but the Father who sent Me gave Me a command, what I should say and what I should speak. And I know that His command is everlasting life. Therefore, whatever I speak, just as the Father has told Me, so I speak.

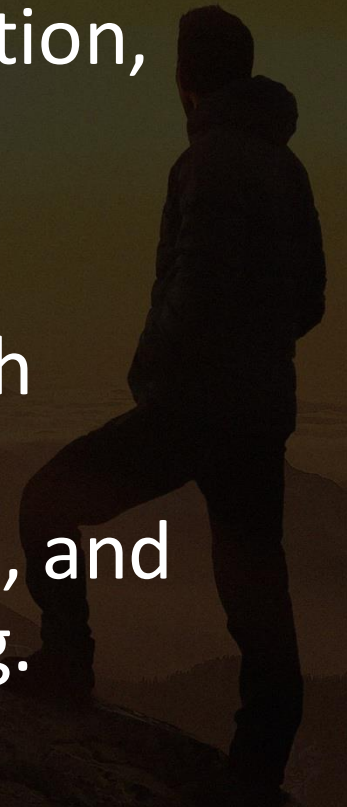




# FAITH IN THE LIGHT

**Light = Phos (Greek):** It can refer to physical light, such as daylight or the brightness from a fire or lamp, but it also has a broader symbolic meaning, representing spiritual illumination, divine truth, and knowledge.

**Darkness = Skotia (Greek):** primarily means darkness, both literally (as in the absence of light) and metaphorically. Metaphorically, it refers to spiritual ignorance, wickedness, and the misery that results from a lack of divine understanding.





# FAITH IN THE LIGHT

How do we live and shine the light of Jesus in  
a world so divided?





# FAITH IN THE LIGHT

## 1. Seek Love





# SEEK LOVE

## 1 John 4:7-8 NIV

Dear friends, let us love one another, for love comes from God. Everyone who loves has been born of God and knows God. Whoever does not love does not know God, because God is love.

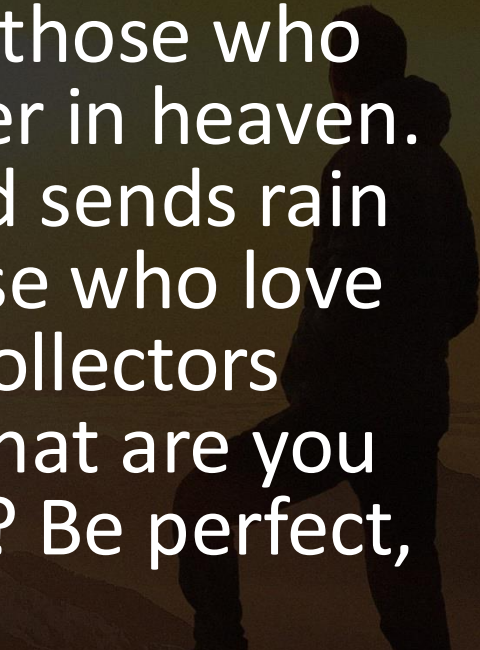




# SEEK LOVE

## Matthew 5:43-48 NIV

You have heard that it was said, 'Love your neighbor and hate your enemy.' But I tell you, love your enemies and pray for those who persecute you, that you may be children of your Father in heaven. He causes his sun to rise on the evil and the good, and sends rain on the righteous and the unrighteous. If you love those who love you, what reward will you get? Are not even the tax collectors doing that? And if you greet only your own people, what are you doing more than others? Do not even pagans do that? Be perfect, therefore, as your heavenly Father is perfect.





# FAITH IN THE LIGHT

1. Seek Love

2. Seek Relationships





# SEEK RELATIONSHIPS

**John 13:34-35 NIV**

A new command I give you: Love one another. As I have loved you, so you must love one another. By this everyone will know that you are my disciples, if you love one another.

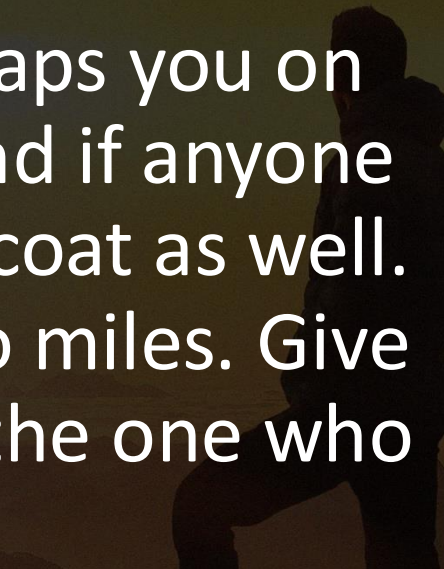




# SEEK RELATIONSHIPS

## Matthew 5:38-42 NIV

You have heard that it was said, 'Eye for eye, and tooth for tooth.' But I tell you, do not resist an evil person. If anyone slaps you on the right cheek, turn to them the other cheek also. And if anyone wants to sue you and take your shirt, hand over your coat as well. If anyone forces you to go one mile, go with them two miles. Give to the one who asks you, and do not turn away from the one who wants to borrow from you.





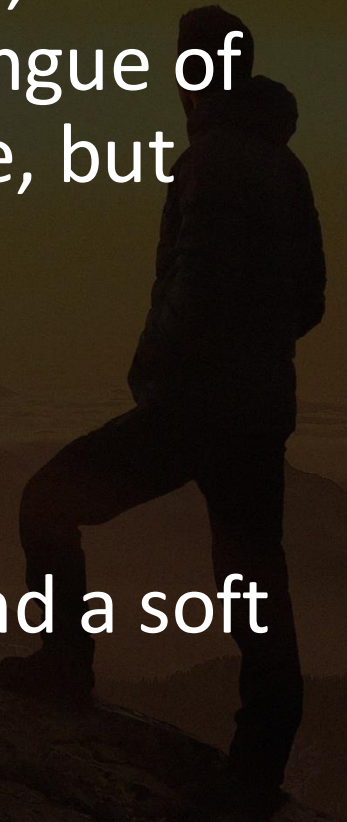
# SEEK RELATIONSHIPS

## Proverbs 15:1-2 AMP

A soft and gentle and thoughtful answer turns away wrath, but harsh and painful and careless words stir up anger. The tongue of the wise speaks knowledge that is pleasing and acceptable, but the [babbling] mouth of fools spouts folly.

## Proverbs 25:15 AMP

By patience and a calm spirit a ruler may be persuaded, and a soft and gentle tongue breaks the bone [of resistance].





# FAITH IN THE LIGHT

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2. Seek Relationships
3. Seek the Holy Spirit



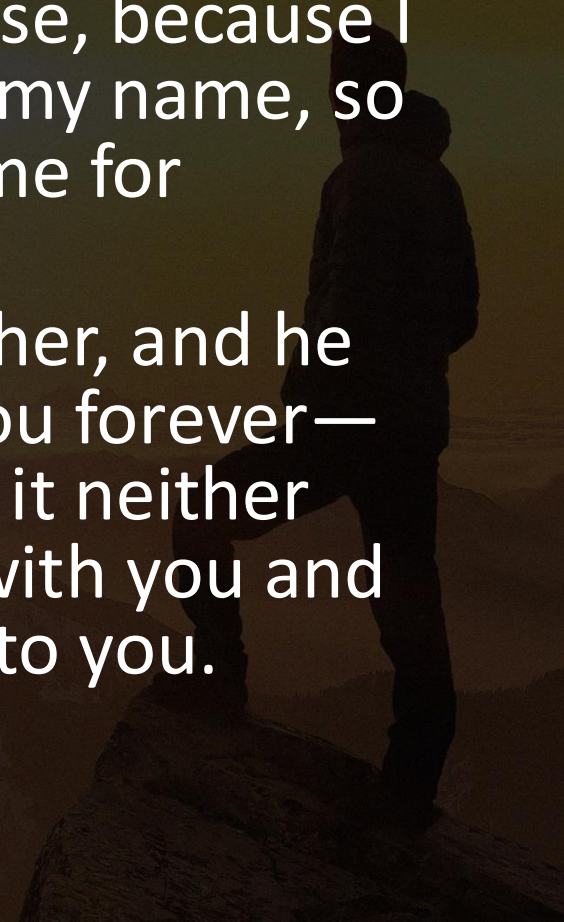


# SEEK THE HOLY SPIRIT

## John 14:12-18 NIV

Very truly I tell you, whoever believes in me will do the works I have been doing, and they will do even greater things than these, because I am going to the Father. And I will do whatever you ask in my name, so that the Father may be glorified in the Son. You may ask me for anything in my name, and I will do it.

If you love me, keep my commands. And I will ask the Father, and he will give you another advocate to help you and be with you forever—the Spirit of truth. The world cannot accept him, because it neither sees him nor knows him. But you know him, for he lives with you and will be in you. I will not leave you as orphans; I will come to you.





# FAITH IN THE LIGHT

## Matthew 5:14-16 NIV

You are the light of the world. A town built on a hill cannot be hidden. Neither do people light a lamp and put it under a bowl. Instead they put it on its stand, and it gives light to everyone in the house. In the same way, let your light shine before others, that they may see your good deeds and glorify your Father in heaven.





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A person stands on the edge of a dark, rocky mountain peak on the right side of the frame. They are silhouetted against a brilliant, glowing sunrise or sunset. The sun is a large, bright orb in the center of the sky, casting long, golden rays across the landscape. The sky transitions from a deep orange near the horizon to a lighter yellow and then to a dark purple at the top. Below the horizon, a vast range of rugged, snow-capped mountains stretches across the landscape. The foreground shows the dark, craggy texture of the rock the person is standing on. The overall mood is one of awe, contemplation, and hope.

FAITH IN THE LIGHT