

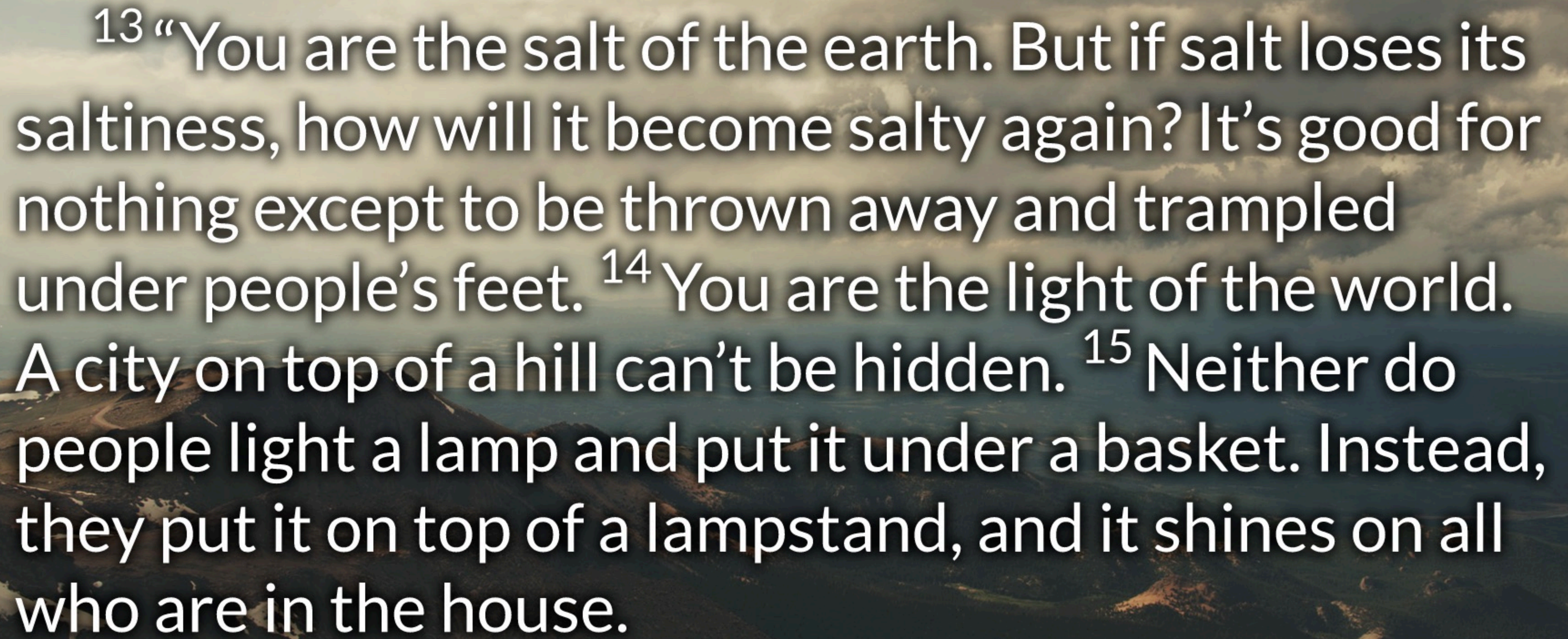


SERMON  
on the  
MOUNTAIN

Matthew 5-7



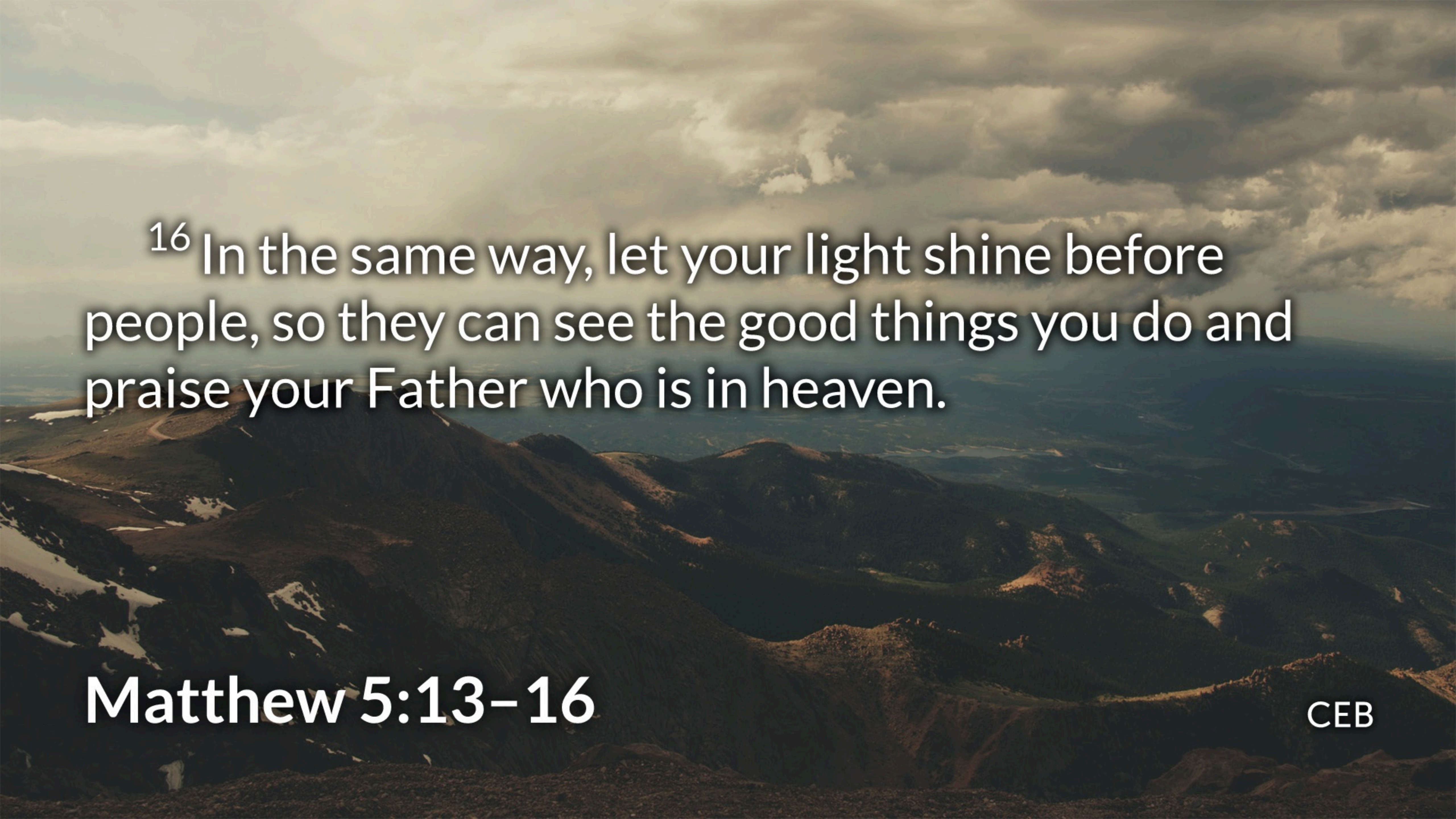
Who am I?



<sup>13</sup> “You are the salt of the earth. But if salt loses its saltiness, how will it become salty again? It’s good for nothing except to be thrown away and trampled under people’s feet. <sup>14</sup> You are the light of the world. A city on top of a hill can’t be hidden. <sup>15</sup> Neither do people light a lamp and put it under a basket. Instead, they put it on top of a lampstand, and it shines on all who are in the house.

**Matthew 5:13–16**

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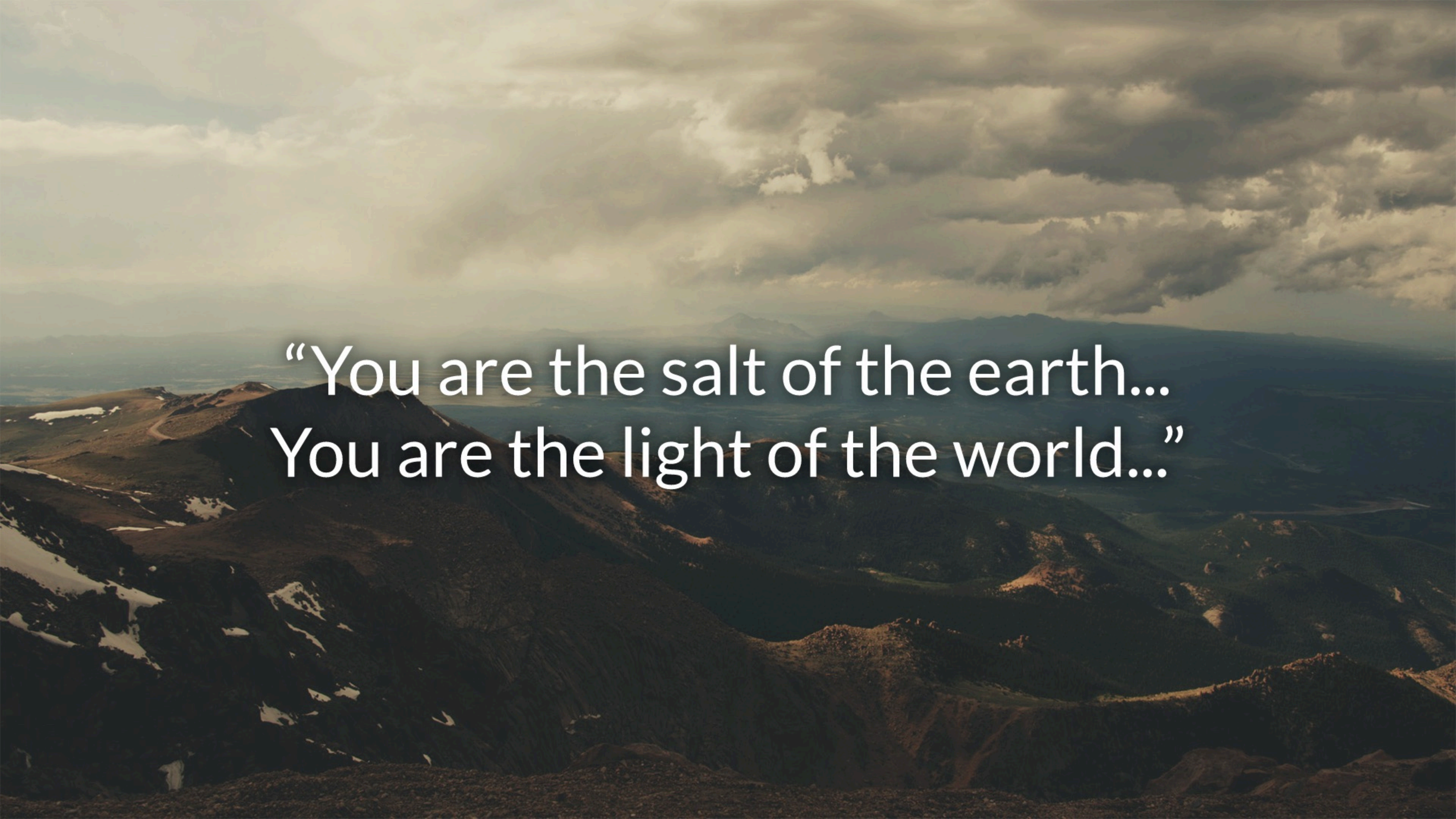
<sup>16</sup> In the same way, let your light shine before people, so they can see the good things you do and praise your Father who is in heaven.

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Who am I?

A wide-angle landscape photograph showing a series of mountain ranges and valleys. The foreground features dark, rugged terrain with patches of snow. The middle ground shows rolling hills and valleys, some with green vegetation. The background consists of distant, hazy mountain ranges under a sky filled with large, dramatic clouds. The overall color palette is muted, with earthy tones and soft lighting.

“You are the salt of the earth...  
You are the light of the world...”

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This is NOT an identity we achieve.  
It is an identity we receive.

A wide-angle landscape photograph showing a series of rolling mountains and valleys. The foreground features dark, rugged mountain peaks with patches of snow. The middle ground shows a deep valley with a winding road and more distant mountain ranges. The sky is filled with large, dramatic clouds, with light breaking through in some areas, creating a high-contrast, atmospheric scene. The overall color palette is dominated by earthy browns, greys, and muted blues, with the white of the snow and clouds providing contrast.

# Salt — God's Life Present in the World

A wide-angle landscape photograph showing a series of mountain ranges and valleys. The foreground features dark, rugged terrain with patches of snow. The middle ground shows rolling hills and valleys, some with green vegetation. The background consists of distant, hazy mountain peaks under a sky filled with large, dramatic clouds. The overall color palette is muted, with earthy tones and a soft, golden light.

Salt — God's Life Present in the World  
Light — God's Life Made Visible

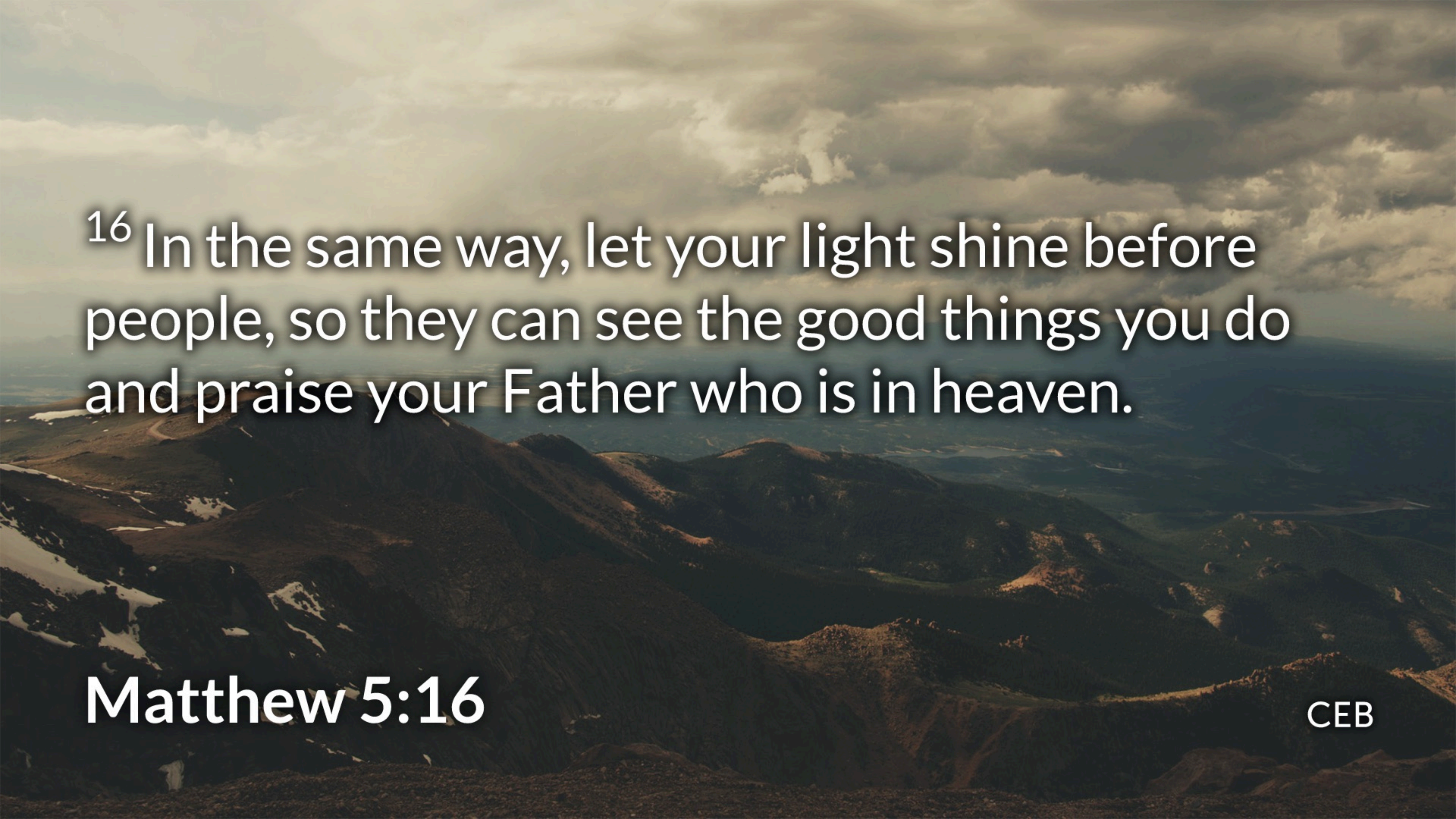
A wide-angle landscape photograph showing a series of mountain ridges and valleys. The foreground features dark, rocky slopes with patches of snow. The middle ground shows rolling hills and valleys, some with green vegetation. The background consists of distant, hazy mountain ranges under a sky filled with large, textured clouds. The overall color palette is muted, with earthy tones and soft lighting.

Both Salt and Light exist for the things  
around them.



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“You are the light of the world.”

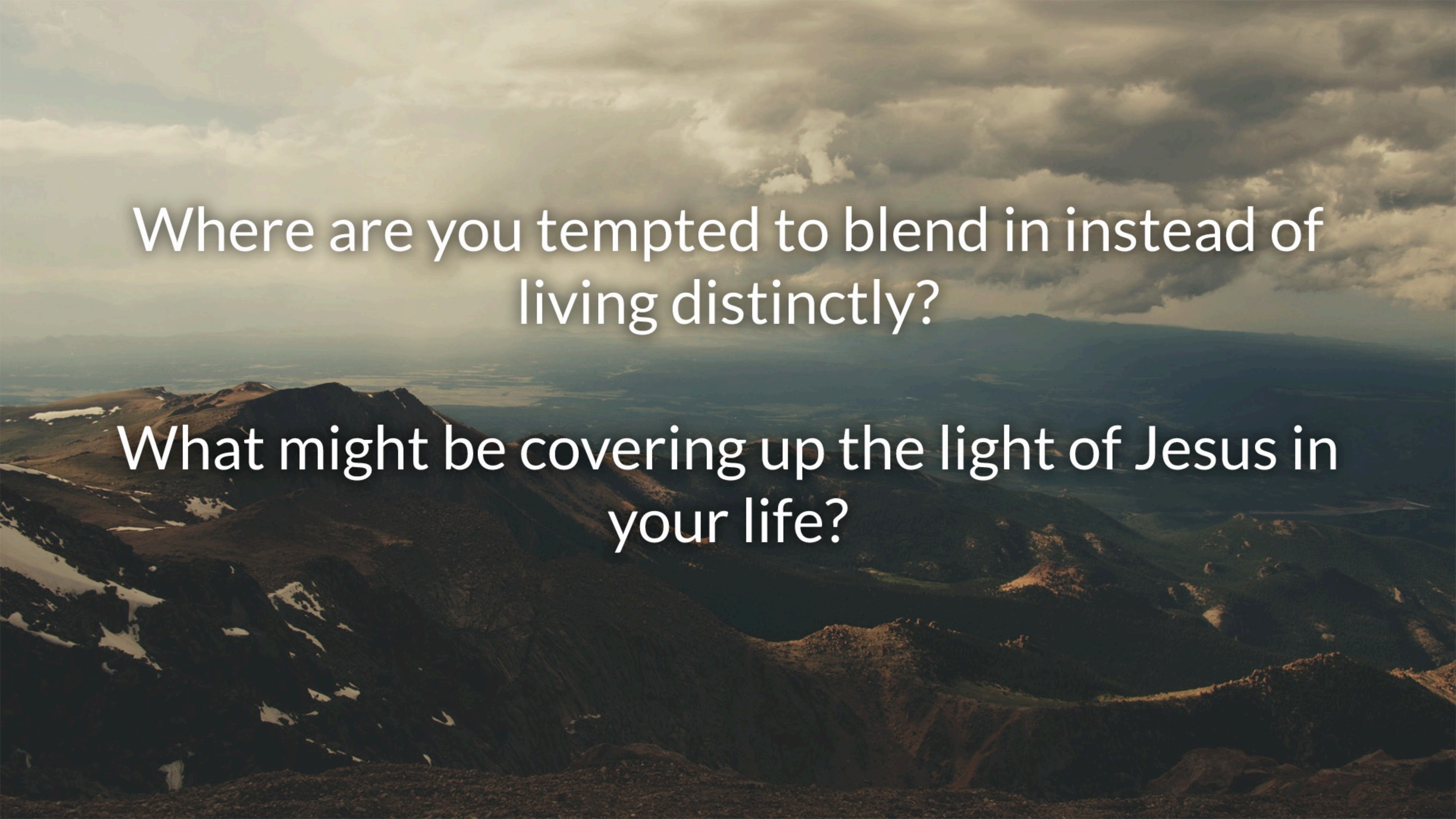
**BUT** salt can lose its saltiness... and light  
can be covered up.



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**Matthew 5:16**

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A wide-angle landscape photograph showing a range of mountains and valleys. The foreground features dark, rugged mountain peaks with patches of snow. The middle ground shows rolling hills and valleys, some with green vegetation and others with snow. The background consists of distant mountain ranges under a sky filled with large, dramatic clouds. The overall lighting is soft, suggesting either dawn or dusk.

Where are you tempted to blend in instead of  
living distinctly?

What might be covering up the light of Jesus in  
your life?



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