This Little Light of Mine

Matthew 5: 14-16

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It is so simple.

And, so hard at the very same time.

If you would like, add your voice to mine.

When you are kind to another

You are the light of the world.

When you stand up for what you know to be right

You are the light of the world.

When you feed someone who is hungry

You are the light of the world.

When you smile at a stranger

You are the light of the world.

When you walk humbly with your God

You are the light of the world.

When you treat another the way you would like to be treated You are the light of the world.

When you treat another the way they would like to be treated You are the light of the world.

When you extend hospitality

You are the light of the world.

When you build a longer table rather than a higher wall

You are the light of the world.

When you see God in the eyes of another

You are the light of the world.

When you see God in your own hands and face

You are the light of the world.

When your words heal

You are the light of the world.

When your vision of tomorrow matches the Dream of God

You are the light of the world.

When your vision of tomorrow drives your actions today

You are the light of the world.

When you claim your calling as a child of God

You are the light of the world.

When you include those Jesus named as the *least of these*

You are the light of the world.

When you sow seeds of hope

You are the light of the world.

When you build up rather than tear down

You are the light of the world.

When you seek justice and resist evil

You are the light of the world.

When you reach out your hand

You are the light of the world.

When love wins

You are the light of the world.

When the Bread of Life becomes intertwined with your life You are the light of the world.

When you understand you are the Cup of Blessing You are the light of the world.

This little light mine I'm going to let it shine.

Candles and Communion

In a moment you will be invited to come forward.

As a reminder of who you are and who you are called to be As a reminder of how you seek to live out the call of Jesus To be the light of the world.

I invite you to take a candle

Light it

And add it to the other candles on the communion table.

As you return to your seat share in the Lord's Supper.

Bread that is broken.

Light of the world.

Cup that is shared.

Light of the world.

People of God.

You and me.

Light of the world.