

GOD'S INSTRUMENTS

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This past Sunday's lesson, entitled "The Heaven and Earth Connection," asserted that followers of Jesus are a point of contact between God in heaven and the people of the world he has created. Our Christian faith is not just something to be believed or held; it is to be practiced. Our Christian identity is not just something that will distinguish us from those who have not been saved so that we will go to the right place when we die. Our identity is that we are salt of the earth and light of the world. As sons and daughters of God, we are here on this earth to do more than lay low and avoid sin until the judgment day. We are here to make a difference. The following is a copy of the prayer I shared. I think it is worth keeping.

Lord

Make me an instrument of thy peace.

Where there is hatred, let me sow love;

Where there is injury, pardon;

Where there is doubt, faith;

Where there is despair, hope;

Where there is darkness, light;

Where there is sadness, joy.

O divine Master,

Grant that I may not so much seek

To be consoled as to console,

To be understood as to understand,

To be loved as to love.

For it is in giving that we receive;

It is in pardoning that we are pardoned;

It is in dying that we are born to eternal life.