

Prayer

Hello everybody!

I want to invite you to a little meditation, we brought with us from Germany.
Remain standing, have a seat or lie down, which position ever is comfortable to you.
Calm down and relax.

Look at the picture, I dealt out and listen to the words, I'm going to read:

"The night is floor-dark.
The people stand close together.
Candles shine. Their light is transmitted and the flames illuminate flickering the faces.
People become to each other the light.
It is getting alight.

*„Arise, shine, for your light has come,
and the glory of the LORD has risen upon you."*

A call to us, everyone to be a light.
We can be light because the light above us has risen and shines upon above us.
We have the light of the light.
It is not our light, but the light of God,
the light of his power and magnificence. We are called for letting radiate this light, so
that it shines to all people, and with it it becomes brightly in our world. The high
priests were not followed the star which led to the newborn king of the Jews.
Herodes wanted to bring the light to the extinction which has risen upon Jerusalem.
Only the pagan astrologers have recognised the sign,
were followed the star and have reached to the light.
They became messengers of the light which is determined for all people.
People of all people become to each other the light.
Let us shine to each other the way if the flames go out.

Thus we can be together to all people a light.

*„Arise, shine, for your light has come,
and the glory of the LORD has risen upon you.""*

- Silence -

Let us pray:
Lord, our God,
You have opened our eyes,
You have given us hope,
therewith we should live
in the marvellous freedom
of the daughters and sons of God.
However, not only we, Lord,

not, as long as other people remain poor,
broken hearted, in prison,
blind and exhausted.

**You led us through
the darkness into your miraculous light.**

Thus we pray, Lord,
for our sisters and brothers,
your family,
suppressed by ignorance and poverty,
caught in a net of injustice and indifference,
by language, culture, colour,
class, gender and also confession.

**You led us through
the darkness into your miraculous light.**

However, we are inclined
to love the darkness more than the light.

We shrink back
from the responsibility for freedom,
from the uncertainty of the desert
and from the conflict of the cross.
We shy away constantly
and prefer the security of slavery
to the adventure of the Promised Land.

**Call us out from the darkness
to your miraculous light.**

AMEN.

