

What's your bearing

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ARISE, SHINE
YOUR LIGHT HAS COME

Are you lost?

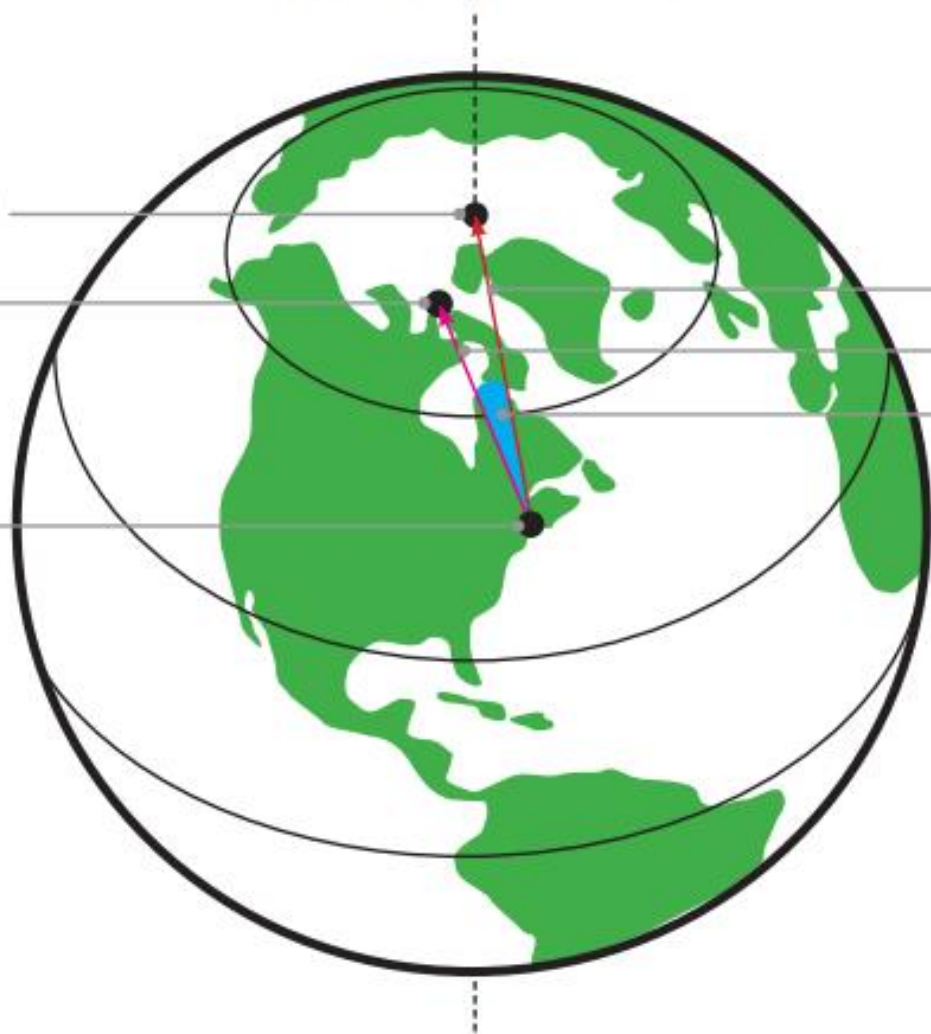


EARTH'S ROTATIONAL AXIS

TRUE NORTH POLE
(GEOGRAPHIC NORTH POLE)

MAGNETIC NORTH POLE

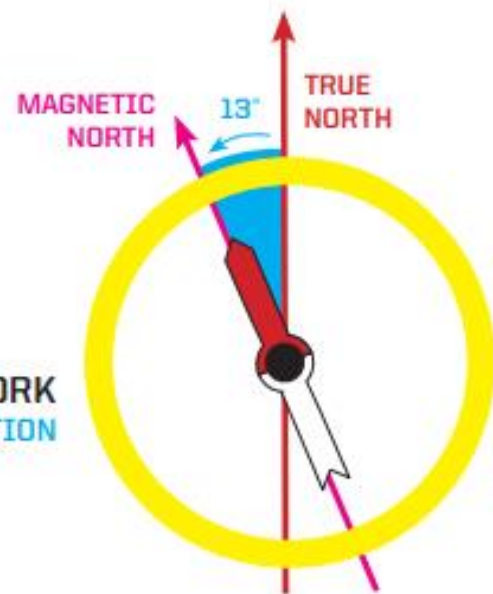
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FROM NEW YORK TO TRUE NORTH

FROM NEW YORK TO MAGNETIC NORTH

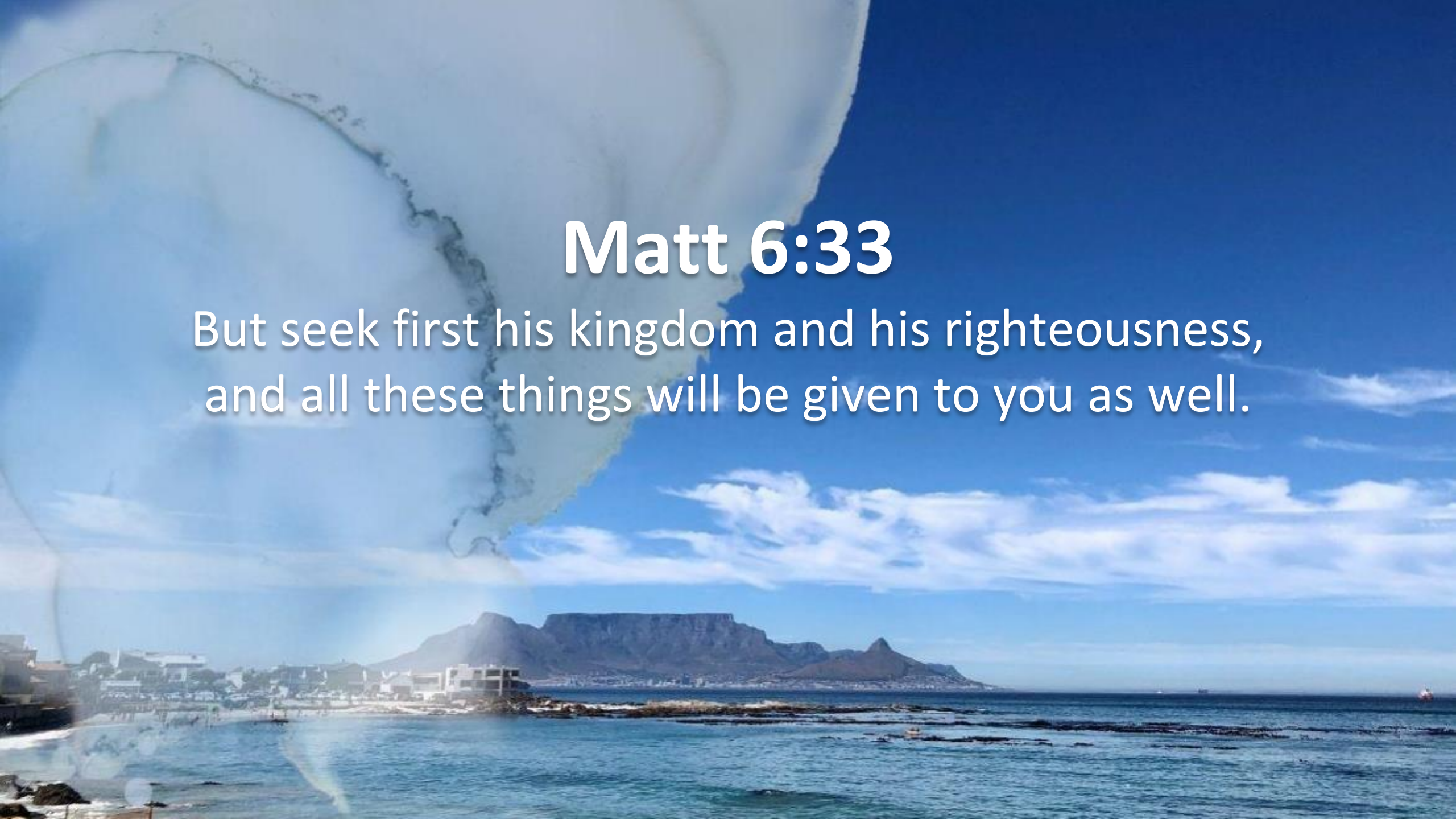
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Matt 6:33

But seek first his kingdom and his righteousness,
and all these things will be given to you as well.



What is the kingdom of God

- Spiritual Kingdom - Luke 17:20-21
- Righteousness and Peace - Romans 14:17
- Inclusiveness - Mark 1:15
- Eternal and Unshakable - Revelation 11:15
- Transformational - Matthew 6:33



How do we lose our true north

Seeking a temporary reward

Matt 6:1,3-4

Be careful not to practice your righteousness in front of others to be seen by them. If you do, you will have no reward from your Father in heaven.

But when you give to the needy, do not let your left hand know what your right hand is doing, so that your giving may be in secret. Then your Father, who sees what is done in secret, will reward you.

Seeking temporary treasures

Matt 6:19-24

Do not store up for yourselves treasures on earth, where moths and vermin destroy, and where thieves break in and steal. But store up for yourselves treasures in heaven, where moths and vermin do not destroy, and where thieves do not break in and steal. For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also.

The eye is the lamp of the body. If your eyes are healthy, your whole body will be full of light. But if your eyes are unhealthy your whole body will be full of darkness. If then the light within you is darkness, how great is that darkness! No one can serve two masters. Either you will hate the one and love the other, or you will be devoted to the one and despise the other. You cannot serve both God and money.

Seeking temporary security

Matt 6:28-32

And why do you worry about clothes? See how the flowers of the field grow. They do not labor or spin. Yet I tell you that not even Solomon in all his splendor was dressed like one of these. If that is how God clothes the grass of the field, which is here today and tomorrow is thrown into the fire, will he not much more clothe you - you of little faith? So do not worry, saying, 'What shall we eat?' or 'What shall we drink?' or 'What shall we wear?' For the pagans run/seek after all these things, and your heavenly Father knows that you need them.

How is your life orientated?

- What would you stop doing if nobody looked?
- Are emotionally drawn more by material things than by Christ?
- What security are you trying to establish by your own means?
- Do you want to re-orient your life to true north, the Kingdom of God?



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