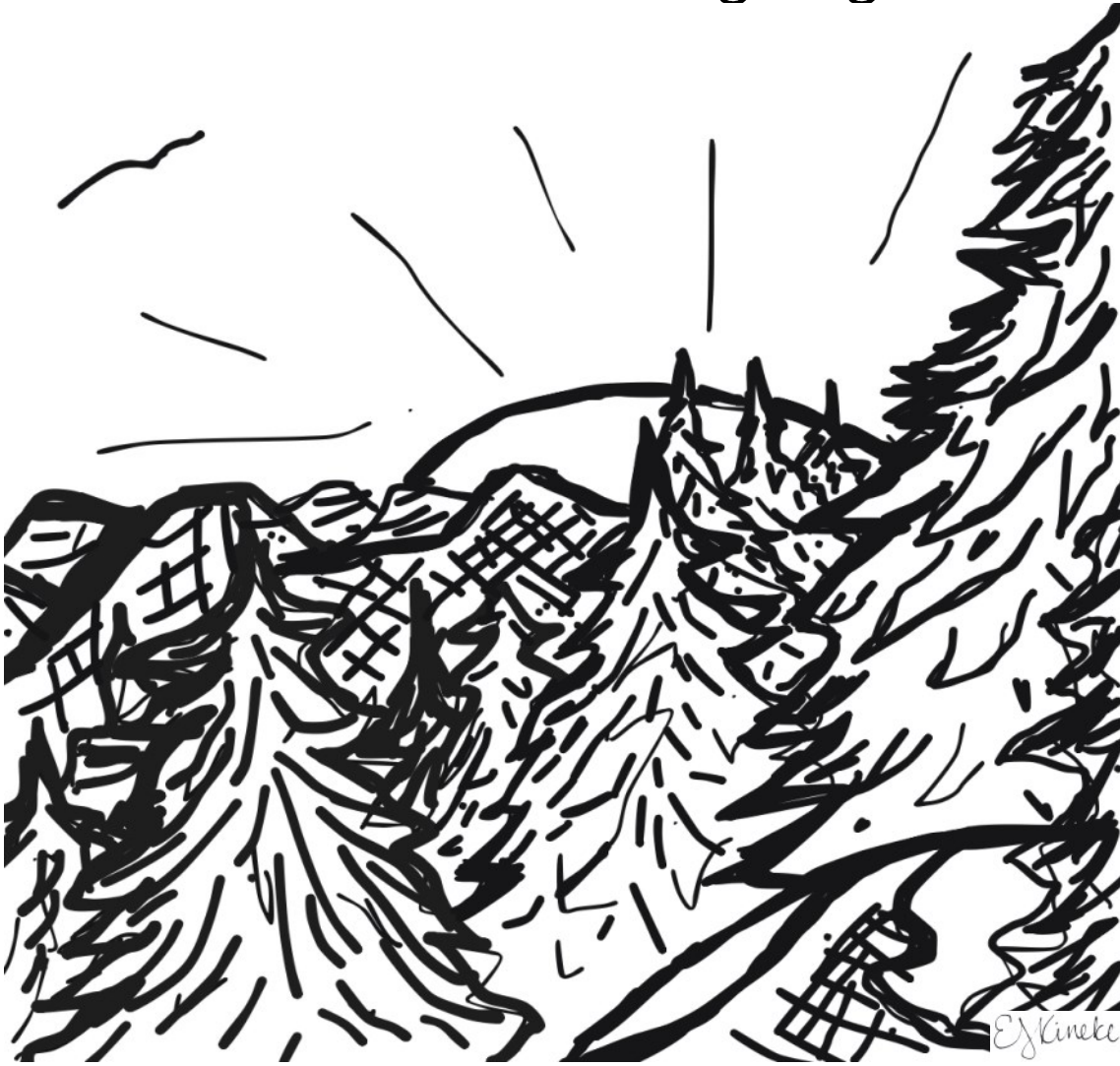


SATURDAY (WINTER SOLSTICE)
 Welcome Growing Light



"The path of the righteous is like the light of dawn, which shines brighter and brighter until full day" (Proverbs 4:18)

FOR TODAY: Today marks the winter solstice - the shortest day of the year in the Northern Hemisphere. From here, each day is longer with more light. Like the gradual lengthening of days beginning tonight, change comes slowly but steadily. We don't force light to grow; we trust the turning seasons. Whatever darkness you face, remember light naturally returns.

➔ **Invitation:** Take a moment today to notice where light appears in your space. Remember that just as the days will slowly brighten, hope can grow gradually too.

SACRED MOMENTS: Proverbs compares spiritual growth to dawn's gradual brightening — perfect for solstice! God's Spirit works like the turning earth: steadily bringing light in divine time. Jesus came in winter's dark, bringing light that would gradually transform everything. God guides us like the dawning day - slowly, steadily toward greater light.

➔ **Practice:** Each time you step into sunlight or turn on a light today, whisper, "Sacred Light, grow in me as surely as the dawning day."