

An Old Irish Journey Blessing

- LS:** May the blessing of **light** be on you, light without and light within.
- RS:** May the blessed **sunshine** shine upon you and warm your heart 'til it glows like a great peat fire, so that the stranger may come and warm herself at it, as well as the friend.
- LS:** And may the light shine out of the **eyes** of you, like a candle set in the windows of a house, bidding the wanderer to come in out of the storm.
- RS:** And may the blessing of the **rain** be on you – the soft sweet rain. May it fall upon your spirit so that all the little flowers may spring up, and shed their sweetness on the air.
- LS:** And may the blessing of the **great rains** be on you, may they beat upon your spirit and wash it fair and clean, and leave there many a shining pool where the blue heaven shines, and sometimes a star.
- RS:** And may the blessings of the **earth** be on you – the great round earth; may you ever have a kindly greeting for people you pass as you are going along the roads.
- All:** And now may the Lord bless **you**, and bless you kindly.
- Hymn:** “Companions on the Journey” BB # 406