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For one reason or another, life can be tough on us. But there's always hope, and there's always something we can do to make things better - no matter how hard it sometimes seems. History is filled with stories of people who rose up against hatred, and that is something that we must do again, now more than ever.

A few days ago, I heard a speech that ended with a few words of hope and wisdom, in the form of a Chinese proverb. The words resonated with many, and I chose to use them for this small embroidery piece which is my gift to you. I hope you will enjoy it, and that you, whilst stitching, might think of ways in which you could light a candle in the dark.

This pattern measures 97 crosses in height and 81 in width. Stitched over two threads on 32 count linen, it would approximately measure 6 1/8" by 5 1/8" (15.5 by 13cm). There is a total of 2039 crosses in this pattern

Below is an estimate of various thread requirements:

Modern Folk Embroidery Wool (single strand 25m skeins): just over 1 skein

Sajou Retors du Nord: (4-stranded 20m cartons): 1 carton, stitched with 2 strands

DMC / Anchor (6-stranded, 8m skeins): just over 1 skein, stitched with 2 strands

I will leave it up to you to stitch the pattern as you see fit, as I really hope each stitcher will make up their own version of the pattern, with the materials they really enjoy working with.

Thank you for downloading this pattern, and enjoy your pattern!

Warmest wishes,

Jacob de Graaf

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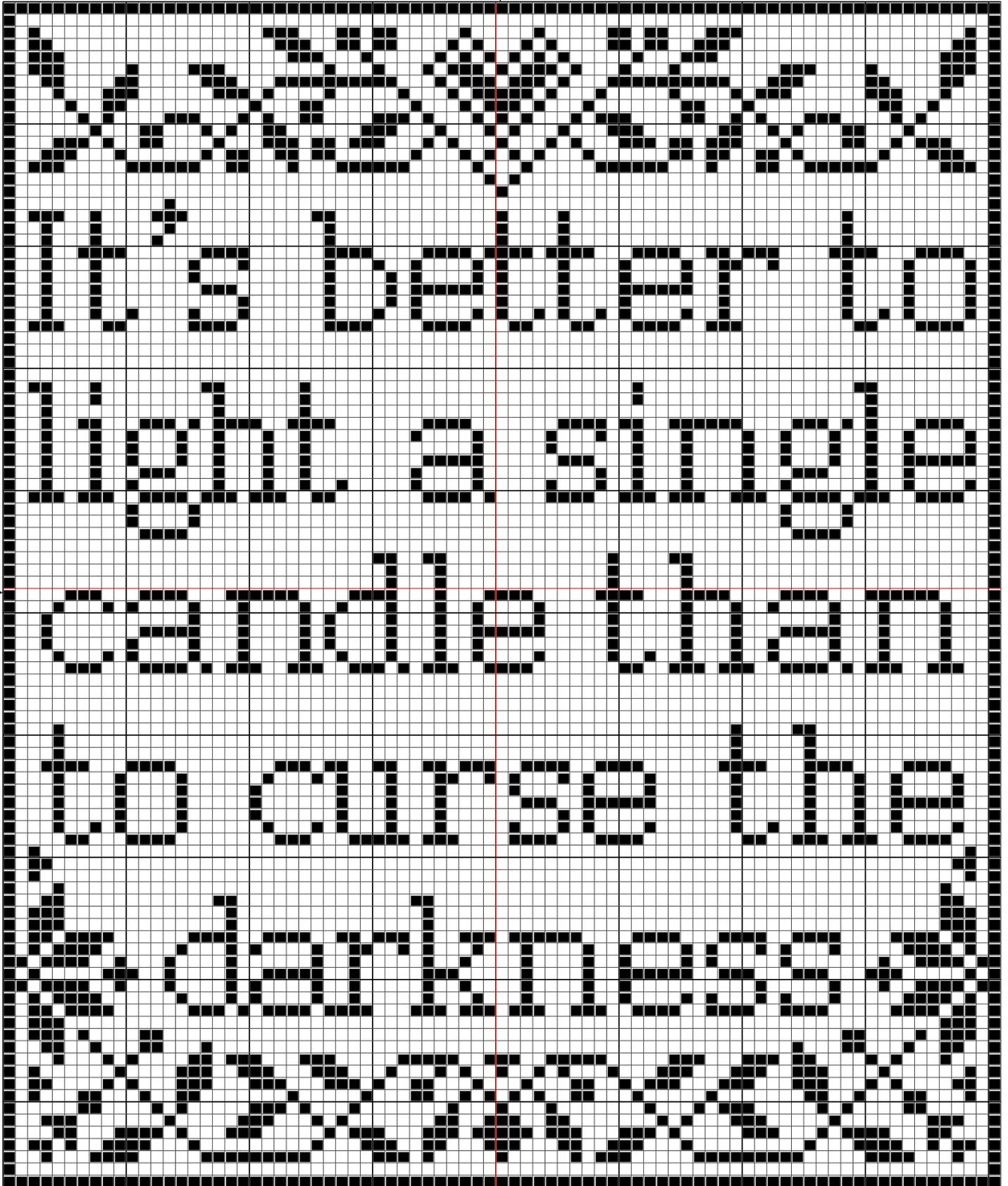
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