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Sermon on the Mount

Lesson Four • Matthew 5:13-16

Our Mission as Salt and Light

Jesus' Missional Strategy for Kingdom Citizens

We are to INFLUENCE the world for Christ as salt and light.

*"You are the salt of the earth... You are the light of the world..."
Matthew 5:13 & 14*

Salt and Light Metaphors

- ❖ Salt and light were two common but CRITICAL commodities in the ancient world.

- ❖ Salt and light indicate that the world is in moral DECAY and spiritual DARKNESS.

- ❖ Salt and light are what we ARE as kingdom citizens in the world.

Our Mission as Salt and Light

1. You Are SALT to a World in Moral Decay!

*"You are the salt of the earth; but if the salt loses its flavor, how shall it be seasoned? It is then good for nothing but to be thrown out and trampled underfoot by men."
Matthew 5:13*

Two Primary Uses of Salt

- Salt was used as a PRESERVATIVE.

- Salt was used as a SEASONING.

Danger of Tasteless Salt

WORLDLINESS will diminish your saltiness, and thereby render you useless or worthless in your kingdom influence on the earth.

2. You Are LIGHT to a World in Spiritual Darkness!

You are the light of the world. A city that is set on a hill cannot be hidden. Nor do they light a lamp and put it under a basket, but on a lampstand, and it gives light to all who are in the house. Let your light so shine before men, that they may see your good works and glorify your Father in heaven." Matthew 5:14-16

Shine Your Light in the World

- We are to be as visible as a CITY on a hill.

- We are to be as visible as a LAMP in a house.

Two Results of Shining Your Light in the World

One result is PERSECUTION, but another result is SALVATION.
Some people will see your good works and give glory to God in saving faith.

My Mission as a Kingdom Citizen

To give the world a TASTE and GLIMPSE of Jesus Christ
so that God might be glorified through me.