

Life of Christ Series - Salt & Light

In Matthew 5, Jesus begins teaching the disciples about character as he explains the Beatitudes. In verse 13, Jesus shifts from talking about a believer's character to their influence or distinctiveness. Jesus uses the metaphors of salt and light to describe how His disciples should affect their world.

1. The Characteristics of Salt

- *It is distinctive
- *It preserves
- *It flavors
- *It creates thirst

2. The Power of Light

- *It shows the true knowledge of God - Psalm 36:9

- *It reveals goodness, righteousness, and truthfulness
Ephesians 5:8-9

- *It permeates the darkness - I John 1:5

Small Group Questions

1. Discuss ways each characteristic of Salt mentioned above is lived out in a believer's life.

2. If salt can lose its effectiveness, how do we as believers do the same?

3. Discuss the power of God's light in a believer and how we can use this light in our world.