



Riverstone
BAPTIST CHURCH

Sermon Based Questions

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Series: Vision 2025 Faithful presence

Salt, Light and Faithful presence

13 “You are the salt of the earth. But if the salt loses its saltiness, how can it be made salty again? It is no longer good for anything, except to be thrown out and trampled underfoot. 14 “You are the light of the world. A town built on a hill cannot be hidden. 15 Neither do people light a lamp and put it under a bowl. Instead they put it on its stand, and it gives light to everyone in the house. 16 In the same way, let your light shine before others, that they may see your good deeds and glorify your Father in heaven. Acts 5:13-16

1. Salt is meant to be salty, Light is meant to shine- the church is called to be a faithful presence.

- Salt was used to both flavor and preserve
- Salts job is to be salty
- Called to be a visible light!
- Jesus is the light of the world (John 8:12)
- We are called to be children of the light (John 12:35-37)
- Let Christs light shine in you (Ephes 5:8-16)
- Don't grumble and argue- Shine Philippians 2:14-16

A. Examining the texts.

1. Read Matthew 5:13-14 & 5:1-2. Who is Jesus referring to when he says- “you are the light of the world?” What does Jesus say about “unsalted” salt?
2. Read Matthew 5:15-16. Who again is Jesus referring to when he says- “you are the light of the world,” and what does he want them to do with their light?
3. Read Matthew 5:14-16. What had God revealed to Peter and what response did he have to the revelation?
4. Read John 8:12, John 12:35-36. Who does this passage say the light of the world is? How does Jesus say his hearers can become children of the light?
5. Read Ephesians 5:8-16. Philippians 2:14-16. Who is the source of the light according to Paul and how are these believers to let Christ's light shine from them?

B. Meditation & application

6. What does it mean for us to lose our saltiness or hide our light?
7. How can we avoid this?
8. What does it look like for you to live as salt and light?
9. Why does it matter how we live our lives?
10. Who are you / we called to be faithfully present too?

Dear Heavenly Father; We thank you that you sent your Son Jesus as the light of the world. Thank you for rescuing us from the darkness. Help us to put our faith in your Son Jesus so that we might be children of the light. We pray that our deeds might be good and that our lives might give glory to you. In Jesus Name- Amen