

Sunday School
March 29, 2020

-Read: Matthew 5:13-16

-Questions to consider and discuss:

- **Q:** What is salt used for?
 - **A:** The most obvious answer is “flavor.” However, back before people had refrigerators and freezers, salt was used to preserve food, to keep it from spoiling (especially meat).
 - Read: Colossians 4:5-6
 - The way we act towards the world at large ought to be in such a way that Christ is made to look good (just like salt makes food tasty and appealing). The way we act should have a quality of “preserving” the good news of Christ within someone, rather than turning their hearts away from God (“spoiling”) by un-Christlike speech and action.
- **Q:** Why do we put lights on the ceiling, or make lamps so tall?
 - **A:** In order to give light to the whole room. Covered up lights aren’t very useful.
 - Read: John 1:9-10
 - Jesus is *the* Light (with a capital “L”). Through him, we are able to be little lights, shining forth the gospel, the good news of Jesus Christ, to the world.
- Read: Psalm 34:8-14
 - As Christians, something that we know is true about God is that God is *good*. Other people don’t necessarily know that, though. When our words are seasoned like salt, and we are bold in displaying and proclaiming Christ to the world, then we allow others to “taste and see that the Lord is good.”
 - A lot of people could do to hear some good news right now. Is there anyone that you need to pray about having boldness towards? This might be a season of receptiveness for some people.
- What is one takeaway from this teaching from the Sermon on the Mount that you can apply this week?