



LIGHT

FLAVORFUL & FAITHFUL

SALT



“Salt & Light: Flavorful & Faithful”

Matt 5:13

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You are the salt of the earth, but if salt has lost its taste, how shall its saltiness be restored? It is no longer good for anything except to be thrown out and trampled under people's feet.

Keeping Your

- Dangers of Losing your Saltiness

Deut 14:2 *For you are a people holy to the Lord your God, and the Lord has chosen you to be a people for his treasured possession, out of all the peoples who are on the face of the earth.*

1 Pet 2:9 *But you are a chosen race, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, a people for his own possession, that you may proclaim the excellencies of him who called you out of darkness into his marvelous light.*

Resisting Influences

- How can we stay true to Christian values in a secular world?

Eph 5:8-10 *For at one time you were darkness, but now you are light in the Lord. Walk as children of light 9 (for the fruit of light is found in all that is good and right and true), 10 and try to discern what is pleasing to the Lord.*

1 Pet 2:10 *Once you were not a people, but now you are God's people; once you had not received mercy, but now you have received mercy.*

- Parent/Child Relationship
- Identity
- Christianity

Being a Influence

- Salt is TASTED.
- Using Words & Actions to Bless & Uplift

Col 4:6 *Let your speech always be gracious, seasoned with salt, so that you may know how you ought to answer each person.*

Jam 1:22 *But be doers of the word, and not hearers only, deceiving yourselves.*

- Buoyancy Example
 - Encouraging v. Tearing Down

in Faith

- Importance of a steadfast walk with the Lord

Heb 5:11-14 *About this we have much to say, and it is hard to explain, since you have become dull of hearing. 12 For though by this time you ought to be teachers, you need someone to teach you again the basic principles of the oracles of God. You need milk, not solid food, 13 for everyone who lives on milk is unskilled in the word of righteousness, since he is a child. 14 But solid food is for the mature, for those who have their powers of discernment trained by constant practice to distinguish good from evil.*

Rom 8:18 *For I consider that the sufferings of this present time are not worth comparing with the glory that is to be revealed to us.*

