

Sticking Out for the Right Reasons

Salty Series

Discussion Questions

- **Do you think Americans in general feel more positively or negatively about Christianity?**
 - Do you think this is a generational thing? How so?
 - What are the criticism lobbed against followers of Jesus?
 - Do you think they are valid criticisms? Why or why not?

- **Read Matthew 5:13**
 - Why does Jesus like his followers to salt?
 - Why is “saltiness” important to the mission of Jesus and his followers in the world?
 - What would an un-salty Christian look like? (Remember the two poles from the message.)
 - What is a Quiet Christian? How are they un-salty?
 - What is a Cringy Christian? How are they un-salty?

- **What does Jesus say about his followers in the next verse (v. 14)?**
 - Who was “the light of the world” originally applied to?
 - Why does Jesus use it of his followers now?

- **What is the tragedy of people leaving the faith due to CRINGY Christianity?**
 - Have you ever struggled with this? How?
 - How can we fight against giving caricatures of the faith?

- **For those who struggle with either being QUIET or CRINGY, how can the gospel identities in the Spiritual Growth Grid help move us toward being SALTY?**