

No Room for Spectators

October 25, 2026 | Matthew 5:13-16 | Pastor Daniel Torres

Sermon Outline

1. **You Are the Salt of the Earth (v. 13)**
Jesus calls us to reflect His character in everyday life, helping others see the goodness of following Him.
2. **You Are the Light of the World (vv. 14–16)**
Jesus calls us to make His love and truth visible through our words and actions, both individually and together as a church.

Main Idea

Jesus' disciples are salt and light in the world, called to live out the gospel so that others may glorify God.

Leader's Note

Choose the questions below that best fit your group and the time available. You do not need to discuss every question. However, we strongly recommend covering at least one question from each section: Upwards, Inwards, and Outwards.

Optional Icebreaker

What is one small thing that makes a big difference in your everyday life?

Discussion Questions

UPWARDS - Growing in Relationship with God

1. Jesus says, "You are the salt of the earth" and "You are the light of the world." What do these words teach us about our identity and purpose as His followers?
2. Jesus wants His character to become visible in our everyday lives. In what area of your life would you like Him to help you grow in humility, mercy, honesty, or kindness?
3. Jesus teaches that our good deeds should bring glory to God, not ourselves (Matthew 5:16). Since we are saved by God's grace through faith in Jesus, rather than by our good deeds, how should this truth shape our reasons for serving others?

INWARDS - Growing in Fellowship with One Another

4. Jesus calls His followers to be salt and light together, not only as individuals. How can we live this out as a church family at Benton?
5. The sermon reminds us that people should see the gospel in the way Christians treat one another. How can our small group help newcomers and visitors experience the love of Jesus?
6. Jesus calls His followers to show mercy, humility, and peace. What is one practical way our small group can encourage or care for someone in our church family?

OUTWARDS - Reaching Those Around Us

7. Salt makes a difference in what it touches. How might the way we live at home, work, school, or in our neighbourhood help others become curious about Jesus?
8. The sermon described Benton Small Groups as "lighthouses of the gospel" in Kitchener-Waterloo and beyond. How can our group build meaningful relationships with people in our community?
9. Think about someone you regularly see who may not know Jesus. What is one simple and practical action you could take this coming week to show that person the love and goodness of Jesus?

