



Salt & Light

Matthew 5:13-16

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Matthew 5:13, ESV

“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.”

Salt

Preserves

Enhances

“...we renounce any form of racial and ethnic indifference, exclusion, subjugation, or oppression as a grave sin against God and our fellow human beings. We lament the legacy of every form of racism throughout the world, and we seek to confront that legacy through repentance, reconciliation, and biblical justice.”

(Church of the Nazarene Manual, page 915)

Draws

Creates thirst.

Matthew 5:6, ESV

“Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they shall be satisfied.”

Once you lose your saltiness it is impossible to make anything else salty.

Matthew 5:14-16, ESV

“You are the light of the world. A city set on a hill cannot be hidden. Nor do people light a lamp and put it under a basket, but on a stand, and it gives light to all in the house. In the same way, let your light shine before others, so that they may see your good works and give glory to your Father who is in heaven.”

Light

Illuminates

Heals

Awakens

Lights don't place themselves.

Ephesians 5:8

"...at one time you were darkness, but now you are light in the Lord. Walk as children of the light."

Too much salt or light and we become repulsive. So do good works not over the top, in your face, too much.

Quote: *"It is only for the sake of God's glory that we should allow our good works to become known.... Let your light shine before others that they may see your good deeds is incomplete."* That is why Jesus didn't stop but continued, *"that they (the people seeing your good works) may give glory to your Father Who is in heaven."*