



Let Your Integrity Speak | Matthew 5:13-16

Why not serve your group some snacks which require some salt but they have no salt! (Unsalted peanuts, butter on unsalted crackers etc) How do people feel about the lack of seasoning? What difference does it make to the taste?

Read the passage Matthew 5:13-16 perhaps in a variety of versions.

1. Why was salt so important in the Ancient World?
2. If Jesus is the Light of the world (see John 9:5) what does He mean by saying, we are the Light of the World in Matt 5:14?
3. How can we be effective in our World as salt and light? Think of some practical ways that this might happen.
4. How can you see the search for truth and integrity manifested in the Western World today? Perhaps in modern songs or films or TV programmes!
5. For many today they are seeking to share the message of the Gospel in hostile conditions. Talk about a few countries that concern you and spent a few moments praying for our Christian brothers and sisters. (Check out Open Doors website for ideas)
6. What are the essentials of the Gospel as described in the New Testament?
7. Imagine you are on an aeroplane that is about to crash, and a fellow passenger is terrified. How would you in one minute explain the Gospel to them?
8. Why is it important to maintain the integrity of the Gospel?
9. Is Marshall McLuhan right in saying that "the medium is the message"?
10. What are the important things we should remember when seeking to be sincere in sharing the Gospel? Dave mentioned 7 on Sunday.
11. Pray for each other as you move into another week that God would give you opportunities to share Jesus and that the Holy Spirit would give you the words to use. Report back next week when you meet again!