Week 2: Salt & Light (Matthew 5:13-16)

What are Common Uses of Salt?
How Does Salt Impact the World?
How Does Salt Lose Its Saltiness?
Exercise 1: Personal Reflection • What challenges do you face in being strong and pure salt? (saltiness)
 What challenges do you face in making contact with people with your salt (church world)?
What steps can you take to improve the strength and contact of your salt?
Principle 3- Being Kingdom-Centered
Principle 4 - Being People-Centered
Exercise 2: Large Group Discussion • What are some practical ways we can live as Salt and Light in the world?

Week 2: Salt & Light (Scripture)

Matthew 5:13-16 ¹³ "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. ¹⁴ "You are the light of the world. A city set on a hill cannot be hidden. 15 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. 16 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.

Matthew 9:10-13 ¹⁰ And as Jesus reclined at table in the house, behold, many tax collectors and sinners came and were reclining with Jesus and his disciples. ¹¹ And when the Pharisees saw this, they said to his disciples, "Why does your teacher eat with tax collectors and sinners?" ¹² But when he heard it, he said, "Those who are well have no need of a physician, but those who are sick. ¹³ Go and learn what this means: 'I desire mercy, and not sacrifice.' For I came not to call the righteous, but sinners."

Luke 7:34 ³⁴ The Son of Man has come eating and drinking, and you say, 'Look at him! A glutton and a drunkard, a friend of tax collectors and sinners!'

John 17:14-19 ¹⁴ I have given them your word, and the world has hated them because they are not of the world, just as I am not of the world. ¹⁵ I do not ask that you take them out of the world, but that you keep them from the evil one. ¹⁶ They are not of the world, just as I am not of the world. ¹⁷ Sanctify them in the truth; your word is truth. ¹⁸ As you sent me into the world, so I have sent them into the world. ¹⁹ And for their sake I consecrate myself, that they also may be sanctified in truth.

- **1 Corinthians 2:4** My message and my preaching were not with wise and persuasive words, but with a demonstration of the spirit's power.
- **2 Corinthians 5:20** ²⁰ Therefore, we are ambassadors for Christ, God making his appeal through us. We implore you on behalf of Christ, be reconciled to God.
- **2 Corinthians 12:9** ⁹ But he said to me, "My grace is sufficient for you, for my power is made perfect in weakness." Therefore, I will boast all the more gladly of my weaknesses, so that the power of Christ may rest upon me.

Galatians 5:22-23 ²² But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, ²³ gentleness, self-control; against such things there is no law.

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