## Upside Down Living Distinct



Matthew 5:13-16

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The world is characterized by and
The secret to effective salt is ""
Don't be by the
The secret to the effective light is ""
Light evil
Light the
Let your light
We are called to be

## **Questions To Go Deeper...**

- 1. What does it mean to be the "salt of the earth" in your everyday life? Can you share an example where you felt like you were fulfilling this role?
- 2. Jesus warns about salt losing its saltiness. In what ways might Christians lose their "saltiness," and how can we prevent that from happening?
- 3. How does being "the light of the world" challenge you in your personal and public life? Are there areas where you struggle to shine your light?
- 4. In verse 14, Jesus compares His followers to "a town built on a hill." What does this metaphor suggest about the visibility of our faith? How can we balance being visible without seeking attention for ourselves?
- 5. What are some practical ways you can "let your light shine before others" in your workplace, school, or community? How might this influence others?
- 6. Verse 16 mentions that our good deeds should lead others to "glorify your Father in heaven." How can we ensure that our actions point to God rather than to ourselves?
- 7. In what situations might you be tempted to "hide your light under a bowl"? How can you overcome this temptation and be more open about your faith?
- 8. Reflecting on your current environment (home, work, community), where do you see the most need for salt and light? How can you specifically contribute to meeting that need?