

THE IMPORTANT SAYINGS OF JESUS



Salt & Light

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Matthew 5:13-16, Luke 14:33-35

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Matthew 5:13-16

“You are the salt of the earth. But if the salt loses its saltiness, how can it be made salty again? It is no longer good for anything, except to be thrown out and trampled underfoot. You are the light of the world. A town built on a hill cannot be hidden. Neither do people light a lamp and put it under a bowl. Instead they put it on its stand, and it gives light to everyone in the house. In the same way, let your light shine before others, that they may see your good deeds and glorify your Father in heaven.”

Luke 14:33-35

“...those of you who do not give up everything you have cannot be my disciples. Salt is good, but if it loses its saltiness, how can it be made salty again? It is fit neither for the soil nor for the manure pile; it is thrown out. Whoever has ears to hear, let them hear.”

“What possible influence could the people described in the beatitudes exert in this hard, tough world? What lasting good can the poor and the meek do, the mourners and the merciful, and those who try to make peace not war?”

- John Stott

Matthew 5:13b

“...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.”

Luke 14:34

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“To live as a Christian means to keep inserting a difference into a given culture without ever stepping outside that culture to do so.”

- Miroslav Volf

The righteous are willing to disadvantage themselves to advantage the community.
The wicked are willing to disadvantage the community to advantage themselves.